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During the Homecoming
pep rally, Debra Milano sold
a handful of blue and yellow
spirit balloons so as to add
color to the festivities and,
perhaps more importantly, to
raise money for AIASA.

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Tom Brickman, one of the many talented musicians at First Colonial, practiced playing the guitar one afternoon in the auditorium. Sometimes Tom Brickman, along with Karl Weme, could be found entertaining students before school started in the mornings.

After a hand-off from quarterback, Will Godfrey, Keith Hayden tried to sprint past the stiff defense of Green Run in order to score a touchdown.

Built in 1966, First Colonial High School has grown and advanced over the years so as to provide an opportunity for a well-rounded education.



First Colonial Heritage

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Choosing a theme for this year's annual was a difficult and important decision, for students had to be able to relate to it. In other words, the theme had to pertain to the unique surroundings and people of First Colonial. Therefore, since all high school students have goals for tomorrow and dreams of what will be, the chosen theme was "We're On Our Way!"

Because the main objective of high school is to produce well-rounded individuals in order to prepare them for continued education in college or for a successful career in the competitive working world, the theme parallels the students' thoughts of the future. During the three years spent at First Colonial, students not only strive to become more educated, but also to grow as an individual.

Thus, in summarizing the general attitude of the students, most agreed that "We're On Our Way!" — B.M. & J.G. □

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During football season, the band entertained the spirited crowd of Patriot fans in the half-time shows. Bryan Condra added to the melodious sound with the help of his saxophone.

Even though Mary McChesney had a massive amount of work to complete, she paused a moment in order to organize her thoughts.



Setting the Pace

World events sparked students' interest.

Contrary to some students belief that there was no "real world" outside the resounding halls of First Colonial, America was alive and in constant motion. Although many cities in the country began to feel the long term effects of the recession, most Americans dealt with the economic situation as best as they could. Voicing their opinions for higher salaries and longer contracts, the National Football League players went on strike for over fifty days, forcing avid football fans to make other plans for seven successive Sundays.

As the football strike reached concessions from both sides, Yuri Andropov was

elected as the new Premier of the Soviet Union following Leonid I. Brezhnev's death. Other concurring world wide events were the continuous fighting in the Middle East between the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Israelis and the birth of the future king of England, William Arthur Philip Louis. The world also witnessed the fifth successful mission of the space shuttle. With the flawless landing of the world's first refly-able aircraft, America once again demonstrated the high technological development possessed in this country and the enthusiasm which continues to sparkle our progression. — J.G. □

Although many natives complain during the tourist season in which millions of invaders flock to the beach seeking the Virginian sun and the Atlantic Ocean, Virginia Beach residents must keep in mind that the city's largest source of income depends upon these tourists.

Making a special appearance at the National Student/Parent Mock Election, State Senator Joe Canada began his speech by first congratulating First Colonial's football team for its District win and then proceeded with his discussion on behalf of the Tribe campaign.





With an enthusiastic smile, Theresa Miller eagerly greeted the many guests who attended the National Student/Parent Mock Election reception. Along with Theresa at the Davis campaign table were Jeff Smith, Tammy Thompson, Maura Krah, and Eva Freyss who provided helpful information concerning Davis views on the many issues.

The Virginia Beach Pavilion, home of the Virginia Pops Orchestra, acts as both a civic center and Theatre of Performing Arts. Each year, the Pavilion hosts many various organizations and groups, such as the Shriners, the ballet, concerts, College Night, and many more.



Black and white photos courtesy of Virginia Beach Tourist Center.



Working for the Weekend

For some students, the ultimate goal is to reach Friday.

Monday just that six letter two syllable word makes many students shudder when they hear it mentioned. For many fellow classmates, Monday is the most hated day of the week for several valid reasons. First of all, Monday means recovering from that action-filled sleepless weekend. Then, once dragging that half-dead body to school, there is always that brand new load of homework waiting to be dumped upon you as soon as last week's assignments are turned in. What a way to start off the week!

And then there is Tuesday. Most students congratulate themselves on this day as they have survived Monday.

Tuesday, however, is not much better as teachers demand more from their students—they expect them to be awake! By the second day of the week, most students begin to fall back in the swing of things.

Half-way through the week, most students associate Wednesday as the day of hope. Suddenly, the situation begins to look brighter as Friday is only two days away. Once again, students set their sights on Friday and begin to make plans. In addition to these activities, many students begin to tackle homework with a new enthusiasm and attend various club meetings to which they belong.

Anticipation begins to mount on Thursday as the count-down reaches the big number one! While some students look as though they have just been energized, the majority of students have dark circles under their eyes, caused by excessive amounts of homework requiring a student to stay up all hours of the night and other school and community activities which also demand precious time.

Yet, when **The Day** arrives, all troubles are forgotten as everyone celebrates in the joy of knowing that they conquered the last five days by simply surviving. — J.G. □



Hugh Ball and Robert Bastidas had a difficult time concentrating on the **Spoon River Anthologies** as their interests seemed to be elsewhere.

Discovering the relationship between centripetal force, mass, and velocity. John Murrell and Nicole McQueeney begin the lab by measuring the mass of the object while Jenny Vester computed this amount into kilograms.





While taking courses at F.C.: Kathy Norton was also working on her Performing Arts degree at Old Dominion University. Hoping to pursue a career in music, Kathy had to practice the harp in the girls' dressing room behind the stage.

Hoping to ace her next test, Regina Hearst quickly reviewed her notes during a study hall in the Library

Although Mr. DeWolf wasn't giving out any answers during his U.S. history test, Laura Graham decided to give it a try anyway.

Harvey Shiflet raced to the board in hopes of writing the correct Spanish word in order to earn points for his team during Ms. Christie's Spanish II class.



For Lucye Bailey and Gretchen Koball, an afternoon of relaxation meant visiting Lynnhaven Mall where they could browse through the many stores.

Wildly waving their spirit pom-pom shakers, this extremely vocal group never failed to occupy the prime seats of the stadium, the rows of bleachers behind the fifty yard line. With this unique blend of individuals all rooting for the same goal, it was no wonder that the football team won the Beach District.



Celebrate! This Is It!

After a grueling five days, students let loose on the weekend.

It was amazing! When observing students who were staring with no comprehension at their third test of the day on Friday, no one would ever have guessed that these same students were the major components of the Patriot Rowdies. Throughout the winning football season, these spirited fans yelled their lungs raw with chants such as "five, five, five!" "Give me a 'P'!" and "Red Hot!" But what made this group so unique was the fact that it represented the entire school, for instead of being composed of just seniors, there were equal numbers representing the classes of '84 and '85.

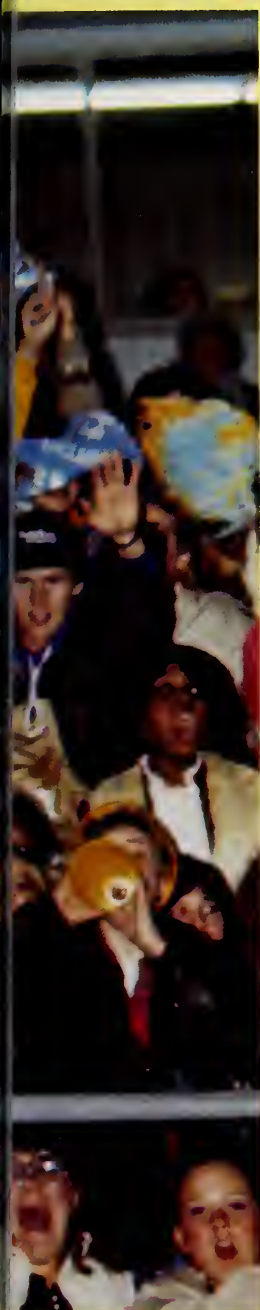
There was, however, life after the foot-

ball games. While Jeffrey's Pizza was a popular place to cure the munchies, many people chose to meet friends at parties and to eagerly watch the 11:00 news, hoping to see themselves on the screen.

And then there was Saturday. At last, a day to sleep in; heaven help the unfortunate person who disturbed that previous slumber. Along with catching up on lost sleep, many students spent the day shopping at Lynnhaven Mall, tackling homework, helping with such fun jobs as cutting the lawn, or making plans for that evening.

Then suddenly, Sunday would dawn, signaling the last of vacation for five

more days. For some, this was a day in which the family spent together; many gathered around the t.v. once the N.F.L. strike was over. However, after seven weeks of vacation, the pros would have had a rough time beating First Colonial's team! And after spending a relaxing weekend, many conscientious students found themselves stuck in the "P.M. Panic," that was, discovering that all that homework, including that huge English paper which was assigned a week ago, had to be done by 8:00 a.m. Monday. And so ended another memory-packed, but oh, so short weekend. — J.G. □



Kelly Knight, Todd Mayo, and Rena Hall anxiously await their two large supreme pizzas at Jeffreys. Because of the large crowd that gathered at the restaurant, one could almost faint from starvation while waiting for his order to arrive.

Dedicated surfers continued to pursue their sport, even in the icy cold water during the winter months.

Since the first grade, has any other school year ever resembled another? Of course, in a sense, they are all the same; however, in a more important way, they all differ drastically. Each student, for instance, changed and developed into a unique individual. Therefore, because of different individuals with unique ideas, the year, in turn, proved to be very special to each student.

Even though Homecoming is a part of First Colonial every year, it differs annually. This year, the festivities were anticipated by all. Spirit Week gave each student a chance to participate in class activities so as to show their school spirit. Also, because of the many highly qualified nominees for Homecoming queen and attendants, this year's court was unusually large.

Another activity in which many students were involved was the dramatic Fall Production, **Harvey**. Before both performances, students rushed home in order to finish all their homework so they could attend the play that night. However, even though First Colonial produces an annual Fall play, **Harvey** was, indeed, one of a kind.

Then, as the year progressed, new events were established, such as the National Student/Parent Mock Election where two government classes were able to participate and observe the U.S. Senatorial race. However, entertainment, as it always does, played a major role within First Colonial as shown in students' dress and hairstyles. Therefore, even though First Colonial followed tradition, it was still a unique year due to the many unique students. — B.M. □



Prior to the airing of the fall production, **Harvey**, Janet Baxter, the student director, had to be sure that every aspect of the play was perfected.

October 29, 1982 was a special night for everyone, especially for the Homecoming attendants. Carter Chaffin, escorted by Brian Large, was literally glowing as she was driven around the track before the crowning ceremony.

Because the production of **Harvey** required diligent workers, Tracy Pope and Pretlow Seaton practiced every day after school along with the other talented members of the cast.



LEAVING OUR MARK FEATURES



On Dress Up Day during Spirit Week, seniors, Eva Freyss, Mark Hogendobler, and Jill Sesler were barely recognizable. The seniors' theme, "Rock Around the Clock", enabled members of the class of '83 to dress up so as to reflect the musical trends of the past, present, and future.



Go-Go's Lydia Bowman, Dori Martin, Leigh Thomas, Felicia Phillips, and Heather Land bring "Beauty and the beat" to F.C.

Chemistry class is interrupted as Matt Vester, Gail Shepard, and Kristi James explain the great importance of Walt Disney

Jeff Cicaltko, Per Larses, Andrew Smith, and Jimmy Booterbaugh formulate a quick method to assemble the finishing touches onto the senior class float.



HAVE YOU GOT THAT SPIRIT?

Uncle Sam is drafted into First Colonial's spirit week theme.



In the beginning, there was only an idea, but somehow this little idea found its way into the clever minds of the S.C.A. and became the established theme for spirit week: "America Our Way!" Each class chose its own mini-theme which revealed a certain aspect of America including the history of its rock and roll, the magical kingdom of Walt Disney, and its infamous movie stars. In a matter of days, F.C. became the home for an assortment of characters, like 1960's flower children, mouseketeers, and loveable orphan Annies. **Joe Noe** humorously stated, "The kids looked funny, especially the girl who dyed her hair pink to look like Annie."

During this five day week each class tried to outdo the other through a system of points earned by dressing up on specific days, buying the most yearbooks, designing the best float, or simply by word of mouth at the pep rally. To add to all this excitement, small mobs of uncontrollable students paraded throughout the courtyard and corridors displaying their flashy costumes and enormous cheering capability.

None of this excitement diminished at the end of the week as many anticipated the after school pep rally. While each class was busy assembling in the bleachers, AIASA members were selling spirit balloons, cheerleaders were dancing their hearts out, and the band was playing selections from its field show. This event ended on a happy note for the juniors, as their float depicting the wonderful world of Walt Disney was judged best. However, not

everyone agreed that they deserved this title as **Tim Murphy** said, "Even though our float was egged, I still considered it the best one!"

The climax of the week was Friday's pre-game activities, including the crowning of queen **Cindy Fall** and the presentation of the homecoming attendants. The floats, the S.C.A., and class officers were also displayed before an exuberant crowd of fans. Later on, an announcement was made which revealed the seniors overall victory in the spirit week events, and excitement was expressed throughout. To seniors like **Diane Legg**, "it was no big surprise because the seniors always won in spirit week!" The football team also voiced enthusiasm in its victory over Maury, and as the stands cleared, Uncle Sam's America was laid to rest. — A.M. □



Chip Hankley and Antigone Potamianos explode with excitement at the sight of their sophomore class float!

Despite his hectic schedule, even E.T. manages to leave home and join in the pep rally activities.

ELIMINATING

Government students broke the 'Big Deal' and 'Who's Running?' barriers in the National Student/Parent Mock Election.

Organized by the Teachers Guides to Television Family Institute in New York City, the National Student/Parent Mock Election was an attempt to encourage high school-age people to learn about and participate in the political process. In so doing, it was hoped that the increase in voter apathy which had begun to detract from the credibility of election results would be halted. The results of the work done at First Colonial were so pleasing that there are plans to expand the program to each of the seven public high schools in Virginia Beach.

Three weeks was all it took; from the day that Mrs. Parker announced to her fifth and sixth-bell classes that they would be participating in the project, activity never ceased. The students' first task was to gather literally every available article or publication concerning the United States Senate race between the Republican, Representative Paul S. Trible, and the Democrat, Lieutenant Governor Richard J. Davis. Of the endless compiling process, **Eva Freyss** said, "It was really a learning experience. Before it was over, I knew all about issues that I had never known existed (before the project)."

The gathered information was used by the students in preparing concise reports delineating how each candidate stood on single issues. The reports also contained written accounts of first-hand experience gained from working at one of the candidate's campaign headquarters, of which

Democrat Dick Davis' display table lends a touch of realism to the Mock Election.

Diane Legg said, "It was a great experience. It enabled us to get an inside perspective on the way the elections are really run." **Mark Hogendobler** also enjoyed his time spent working at headquarters, with one exception: "It was fun working on the phones, but there were a few rude people, too."

Each of the seventy-one participants' efforts were rewarded on October 28 as the project culminated in a reception attended by school board officials, City Council members, and members of the Virginia General Assembly. Speeches by student speakers Brennan Murphy, Julie Gustafson, Candi Jenks, and Jim Rittenhouse on what went on behind the scenes of the Mock Election preceded addresses by Senator Joe Canada and Commonwealth Attorney Paul Sciortino on Paul Trible's behalf and Dr. Marlene Hager and Councilman Robert Jones, who spoke for Dick Davis. There was also an effectively edited videotape presentation by William Perlman which further illustrated the amount of time and effort put into the project. To top the evening off, everyone cast their votes for either Trible or Davis, and Mrs. Parker called in First Colonial's prediction to New York City. **Todd Daniel** summed it all up by saying, "I think everyone would have had a good time and learned a lot anyway, but it was Mrs. Parker's leadership which made (the Mock Election) a success."

— D.C. □

APATHY



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One of the highlights of the reception was the wide variety of refreshments. Julie Gustafson and Mark Hogendobler can't decide what they want, but Brennan Murphy has no trouble at all, as Candi Jenks will agree in astonishment.

Alex Christodoulis, Chi Lee, and Andrew Jackson welcome guests at Paul Tribble's Republican Party table.

City Councilman Robert Jones spoke on behalf of Democratic candidate Richard J. Davis.

Emcee Trae Jennings kept the program running smoothly, with opening remarks and introductions of speakers.



First Colonial High School's 1982-1983
Homecoming Queen, Miss Cindy Fall
poses royally on the sundeck of The
Chart House restaurant.

BORN BEAUTIFUL

The tradition was carried on by this year's Homecoming Court.



Anticipation filled the football stadium on October 29, 1982 not only because of the football game, but also because of the upcoming event. Patriot fans literally sat on the edge of their seats, holding their breath, while waiting to see who would be crowned the new 1982 Homecoming Queen. A shower of approval broke the deafening silence as Miss Diane Inderlied, the reigning Homecoming Queen, crowned this year's new Queen, Miss Cindy Fall.

Miss Fall well deserved the title of queen for First Colonial. She was an involved member of the student body and the community, who served as co-captain of the cheerleaders, member of the SCA executive council, and participant on the gymnastic team. When asked about her other activities and future plans, **Cindy** replied, "I enjoy modeling, ballet and swimming. I hope to pursue a career in fashion or law."

Representing the sophomores was Miss Anneliese Beasley. While serving in the SCA, she loves to eat grub steaks, talk on the phone and listen to music. Anneliese hopes to become a news broadcaster.

Also receiving the honor of sophomore representative was Miss Julie Cooke. "I am so honored to represent my class during my first year in high school," replied **Julie**. She plans to further her education by attending college after graduation.

Representing the junior class again this year was Miss Valusia Beasley. Valusia was the junior class secretary, a cheerleader, and a member of the Spanish club. She enjoys, "music, and spending time with her friends." Valusia hopes to enter the field of computer science.

Newcomer to the court, Miss Cindy Mitchell also represented the junior class. Cindy enjoys,

"gymnastics and playing tennis."

This year the number of senior attendants had to be expanded due to the many qualified candidates.

Miss Karen Barry represented the senior class as a new member. Karen loves, "the outdoors and gymnastics." She would like to become a psychiatrist.

Miss Carter Chaffin was also new to the court. Carter served as co-captain of the cheerleaders, co-captain of the field hockey team, and as an SCA representative. Miss Chaffin hopes to become an elementary school teacher.

Making her third appearance to the court, Miss Mia Russell was definitely not a newcomer. Mia served as an executive council member for the National Honor Society and as business manager for **The Heritage**, while also modeling for local merchants. Miss Russell enjoys, "reading, skiing, and jogging." Mia would like to become a hospital administrator.

Miss Lori Vaughn was another girl privileged to represent the senior class. Lori served as the secretary for DECA. Miss Vaughn enjoys skiing, tennis and the beach. She would like to enter the world of fashion design. — D.S. □



For the second time in the history of First Colonial, two sisters, Valusia and Anneliese Beasley, served on the Homecoming Court together.

Mia Russell and Jeff Cicatko anxiously await the Homecoming festivities.

The 1982-1983 Homecoming Court: Queen Cindy Fall, Karen Barry, Carter Chaffin, Valusia Beasley, Julie Cooke, Anneliese Beasley, Cindy Mitchell, Lori Vaughn, and Mia Russell.

JUST PLAYING AROUND

A shrewd Harvey plays tricks on the minds of many at F.C.

Those who hadn't paid much attention to the morning announcements or to the numerous advertising posters displayed around school probably thought the Easter bunny was coming to F.C.; well maybe. However, these students were only partially correct in their haphazard assumptions. A gigantic rabbit was visiting school, but his name wasn't Peter, and he wasn't delivering chocolate covered eggs or jelly beans. Instead, his name was Harvey, and it was around this 6'1" imaginary creature that the fall play centered.

Harvey, a light, comical play was presented by a pot-pourri of students who auditioned for their parts. Colorful performances were made by each actor, and newcomer **Mrs. Curtis** gave the group much encouragement and support. Spectator **Sharon Connaughton** felt that "The individuality of the play made it really spectacular because frankly, I like invisible rabbits. In a way, Harvey's presence played tricks on my mind!"

Ironically at first, Elwood P. Dowd was the only one who actually saw Harvey, but in the end, everyone including the audience had come to believe in the captivating magic of Harvey's existence! — A.M. □



Elwood P. Dowd exchanges a friendly handshake with E. J. Lofgen as the two discuss Harvey's whereabouts.

All success in the production and performance of **Harvey** can be accredited to these members of the Theater Association as their diligent work and effort resulted in a fantastic fall play.

Harvey Cast

Myrtle Mae Simmons	Jill Sesler
Veta Louise Simmons	April Haney
Elwood P. Dowd	Mike Chasteen
Miss Johnson	Elizabeth Norton
Mrs. Ethel Chauvent	Caprice Royal
Ruth Kelly, R.N.	Serena Steinburg
Duane Wilson	Rocky Martirano
Lyman Sanderson, M.D.	Pete Jones
William R. Chumley, M.D.	David Demchuck
Betty Chumley	Pretlow Seaton
Judge Omar Gaffeny	William Deal
Nurse	Mia Arragoni
Lunatic	Neal Young
E. J. Lofgen	Clete Smith
Student Directors	Janet Baxter
	Maura Krah
Stage Manager	Danae Jacobs



HARVEY



FOOT

Nov. 18, 17

7:30

Adults \$ 2.50

Students \$ 1.50

**First Colonial
Auditorium**



IT'S BEEN ONE

The time consuming task of cleaning up the makeup room was definitely not Clete Smith's favorite way to pass his time.

Helplessly buried under the contents of his school locker, Steve Ross didn't know where or how to begin cleaning up.

After ten minutes of crying, Holly Tace finally found the dipstick and was able to check the oil when her car broke down.



OF THOSE DAYS

Sometimes it didn't pay to get up in the morning.

No one is immune from experiencing a bad day. No matter how organized a person may be, he may find himself unable to cope with the unexpected set back of ill-fated fortune. There were some people who religiously believed in Murphy's law which states, "whatever can go wrong will go wrong".

Whether these people were jinxed or were merely unfortunate, their mishaps may seem hilarious to an innocent bystander.

The following stories of different bouts with misfortune are retold by the victims themselves. — D.S. □

Holly Tace's story:

"I was getting ready for a job interview at Lynnhaven Mall. I had decided to leave my house fifteen minutes early. On my way to the mall I heard a funny noise from underneath the hood. I pulled over and my car gave out. Unfortunately the only thing I knew about cars was to check the oil. I did not know what to do, so I just stood there and cried."

Eddie Redfearn's story:

"I was working at a Wendy's restaurant last summer. One day during rush hour a man ordered a deluxe sandwich. I fixed the sandwich with all the right trimmings except I forgot to put in the two pieces of meat. I was so embarrassed when that man came back and questioned me about the lack of meat in his sandwich."

LeeAnne Schaffer's story:

"One evening in November my mother informed me that she would need the car I usually took to school — the next morning. Although I decided to skip breakfast in order to catch the bus, I missed the bus at my bus-stop. I had to run two blocks in the rain (in a pair of high heels) to the next busstop. As I was

finally climbing into the bus, I slipped and fell backwards into a huge puddle. By the time I got to school I was too tired to go to any of my classes."

David Noonan's story:

"After a long night of studying for two big tests, I woke up the next morning really hungry. I decided to eat a bowl of Rice Krispies. I was so worried about my two tests, I accidentally poured salt into my bowl of cereal instead of sugar. Yuck! What a way to start in the morning."

Stephanie Tsantes' story:

"A week before my parents left Virginia Beach for a short vacation, they started warning me not to leave the house without my house key. One day during that week I came home realizing that I left my house key inside the house. I tried to get in through one of the windows; but I could not open any of them. After one hour of trying to break into my own house, I thought of trying to open the garage door. Of course the door was unlocked, and I had just wasted time. I could not believe it."

Steve Ross' story:

"I was rushing to get to my second bell class one morning in October. As I was opening my locker, all my books fell out. As I tried to grab my books, I fell flat on the floor. Not only was I tardy to my class, I ended up forgetting to get my books."

Clete Smith's story:

"I walked in the make-up room one day after school. A bunch of kids from the drama department were having a make-up fight. After I dodged a few sponges full of powder, I tried to stop the showering make-up. After I got hit in the face with a sponge of white powder, I decided to join in on the fight and get my attacker. Just as I threw a cloud of powder, our director walked in, really mad! I was told to clean up all

the mess, even though I was really innocent. It took forever to clean all that mess and not one other person ever helped me! I have yet to seek revenge on the other drama students!"

Karen Moran's story:

"A few friends of mine and I went to go see 'Rocky III' this past summer. In the middle of the movie, I got up to get something to eat from the concession stand. When I walked back into the theatre, I realized that I was not sure where my friends and I were sitting. I walked to the row that I thought looked like our row; but I ended up sitting next to an old man. I did not realize I was not sitting with my friends, until I had talked to that man for ten minutes. I was so embarrassed!"

Alex Christoudoulis' story:

"During our Christmas vacation, I went shopping at Lynnhaven Mall. I noticed it was getting late so I decided that I had better leave the mall. As I was walking to my car, another car followed me (to get my parking space when I left). I tried to open my car door; but for some reason it would not unlock. The car that was waiting for my parking space started beeping. I looked up to tell the driver that I was doing the best that I could and I noticed a guy trying to open his car door too. I also noticed that we had the same kind and color car. I asked him if he wanted to switch cars. When I got to my car I quickly opened it and drove away! I was so embarrassed!"

LEAVING AND LEVELING

Down at the beach, the bulldozers gave Seaside Park a good razing; meanwhile, back at F.C., nighttime visitors were leaving their marks.

IN THE NAME OF GUEST ACCOMMODATIONS

It finally happened that after seventy-six busy years, the time-humbled scrapwood sculpture called Seaside Park was dealt a face-lift by the wrecking ball to make room for, what else, a new hotel.

Built in 1906 by the Norfolk and Southern Railroad Company, the "Old Casino," as it was known then, spanned two full blocks and contained a salt water pool, a restaurant, and The Peacock Ballroom. In 1955, however, a huge fire destroyed most of the complex before it had the chance to become what would occupy the spot until 1982 — a "blemish on Virginia Beach," according to F.C. senior **John James**. Now if only the bulldozers would do a job on the rest of Atlantic Avenue . . .

FIDDLERS ON THE ROOF: The initial hasty deduction was that a mutated bean plant in Mrs. Cassidy's biology classroom had broken through the ceiling and was soaring skyward. Upon closer examination, however, it was evident that a spruce tree had been placed on the roof by strangers in the night. That it was, or had been, a Christmas tree was only discerned by the tinsel hanging limply from its branches, sparse though they were. The tree was not a mutation; it would have been better described as a mutilation. How it came to be was a mystery for some time, although guesses abounded: some thought it was the mob, but they keep their distance from F.C. Lake Taylor was

The Will Forbes dummy hanging from the flagpole was Green Run's first mistake: in the game, the Patriots rolled, 21-8.

out of the question as well — they had made their point back in November. Who could it have been, then?

It was finally revealed several weeks later; the spreaders of Christmas cheer, according to Ted Fox, "crept up on the roof during a basketball game and 'planted the tree.'" One member of the group even went to short lengths (of time, that is) to decorate it. Well guys, thanks for the memories.

HOLEY ROLLERS (HOLEY IN THE HEAD, AT LEAST): When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one school to roll another in toilet paper, don't do it to F.C. That was the lesson learned by a band of Green Run High School students after a latenight demonstration of their respective I.Q.'s in which they left a truckload of the white stuff strewn about the stadium and trees of the First Colonial campus. About the only places that no toilet paper was to be found were the bathrooms. Such a display of school spirit, of course, would have been understandable until the stuffed scale-model of an F.C. football player with a "34" on its jersey was spotted hanging — by its neck, no less — from the flagpole. Now any Patriot football fan knows that that "34" was not a guess at Coach Wilson's age, but a lifesize reproduction (though undoubtedly not as fast) of halfback Will Forbes.



"It made me mad," was **Tim Helshman's** understatement for most all Patriots. Revenge was sweet, though, as the F.C. gridders returned the shipment that night on the field, 21-8.

At least one Patriot, however, did not mind having his school rolled, as **David Holland** commented, "Finally I could stock up on toilet paper. I only wish it hadn't been so coarse." — D.C. □

After seventy-six years, Seaside Amusement Park got what it had coming to it to make room for a brand new oceanfront hotel.



The Christmas tree which was sitting upon the roof would not make the White House lawn, but it's the thought that counts.



Will Forbes was disgusted with the dummy that hung from the flagpole. After the game, however, the Stallions were left hanging.

On Friday afternoon P.E. class was occupied with clearing the bleachers of the Green Run toilet paper shipment.

BOBBY SOCKS

Spunk from the Fifties was still alive.

The good old days, according to middle-aged parents, were during the 1950's. It was a time when the average teenage spent an afternoon at the local soda shop swinging along with rock and roll hits (played on the jukebox) and barely spent any money on an ice cream.

Although ice cream cones are a lot more now than they used to be in the fifties, many teens found they too were caught up in the up-beat of rock and roll. "I love the return of the bass and saxophone!" said **Jeff McClure**. Many bands had become popular by playing remakes from the fifties. **Elizabeth Himmelright** remarked "the other night I was listening to my Stray Cat album and my father said he could imagine his mother walking into the den and saying, 'turn down that beepop music before I get your father'".

Clothing styles had also returned from the fifties, but were upgraded by the vivid imaginations of today's designers. "I was so glad that saddle shoes were back in style. I bought a pink and baby blue pair the minute they came out," said **Gale Shepard**.

This incident proved the phenomenon of history repeating itself, especially when it dealt with fashions and music. — D.S. □

Drama students made a great success of their production, "Grease", for a fall parade. Pretlow Seaton, Serena Stenberg, Tracy Pope, and Rocky Martiano used their dancing, singing, and acting talents to entertain the judges and the crowd.

Selecting a song on the juke box from the many different selections was a hard decision to make for Mike Cunningham.

Katie Howard, a junior, browsed through her parents' record collection in hopes of finding an album by Elvis Presley.



AND BEEBOP



By performing remakes of song hits from the Fifties, Stray Cats quickly rose to international fame among music fanatics.

High's Ice cream store served as a great place to meet 'the gang' after a long day of tests and lectures. Matt Vester and Sydney Marthinson enjoyed a Banana Split while Jimmie Ring and Tiffany Bevan discussed their plans for Thursday night.



Students throughout the United States participated in a three day model U.N. These two delegates from Alabama, representing Algeria, expressed apprehension over the outcome of a General Assembly vote

Mr. Thompson, the model United Nations sponsor for F.C., took a moment to confer with Doug Garrou and David Demchuck about the importance of world peace



"LET'S TALK IT OVER"



Six acquired international insight as they participated in model U.N.

"We the people of the United Nations, determined to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights and to maintain international peace and security, have resolved to combine our efforts to accomplish these aims." This segment of the preamble to the United Nations Charter was the foundation of model U.N., a mock organization designed to teach students about the inner workings of the international group.

This year, David Demchuck, Lisa Sorensen, Doug Garrou, Janet Baxter, Dina Spanoulis, and Matt Vester were selected for participation under the direction of Mr. Thompson. They were instructed to represent the communist country of Czechoslovakia. Weeks of background research about the history of this

nation prepared the group for the discussion, negotiations, and arguments that resulted.

Although the two main goals of the actual U.N. were world peace and the preservation of human dignity, **Dina Spanoulis** felt that the main purpose of model U.N. was "a way to act like adults, take on the roles of politicians, and get a taste for politics. I wanted to meet students from the different schools and see how others interpreted the world." Because Czechoslovakia was under communist domination, the group felt that they were limited as to the legislation they could propose affecting the nation, however, this did not become a serious problem.

The staging of the mock U.N. took place at Old Dominion University in Norfolk during the first week of February. The various countries, ranging from Russia to Luxembourg, were represented by students from public and private schools alike. These people learned to deal with problems and settle disputes before they resulted in violence.

Overall, the performances of each country were handled diplomatically and rationally. Following the talks, a reception was held, and many spent their time meeting new faces and reminiscing about the belligerent nations. Most felt that the experience and knowledge was well worth the time and effort involved, and when asked if they would do it over, all six replied, "Definitely!" — A.M. □

A member from the General Assembly attempted to persuade others to adopt his nation's recommendations concerning oil.

Matt Vester and Lisa Sorenson attended an afterschool meeting to gain more knowledge about Czechoslovakia and the U.N.



OVERLOOKING



Kristi Morrison and Lyn Channon, the best of friends for years, doing friendly things while fellow First Colonial students



Then one day, Kristi was accepted at the University of Alabama. The next day, Lyn got into Auburn — the college rivalry

GRADUATION



Kristi and Lyn then got an early start on that rivalry. Auburn and Alabama haven't gotten along for 110 years.

... had many students heating up feuds between their chosen colleges.

After twelve years I guess it's all rather muddled anyway, but ever since I got accepted to a college, I had thought that I was a big, bad freshman — and I wondered why I was living at home. I guess down deep I always knew that I was still in high school; one day, though, I began to wonder just what was happening to my fabled senior year. Was it happening to others as well?

I remembered back to when I was a sophomore; I would read several times any newspaper article that even mentioned First Colonial. When the 1980 Patriot football team steamrolled Kellam 61-6, I dreamt over and over that I was Darryl Olds returning that opening kick-off 85 yards for the score.

This year, things just weren't the same: some mornings my mom would ask me if we won the game last night and I would say we sure did; William and Mary never had a chance. Then she'd say, F.C. played William and Mary? Oh, you mean F.C., I'd say — well I think we beat Bayview, I mean Bayside. Or was it Kempensburg?

Well by then it was pretty obvious: I had contracted college-itis — dormitory fever. I'd been bitten by the Big Blue Beast. That's right, I couldn't tell you what F.C. stands for, but I

Virginia's biggest rivalry is also First Colonial's. University of Virginia-bound Christine Colavito, Lysle Ailstock, and Jen Rundle, are undaunted at being outnumbered by Virginia Tech's Kim Williams, Kim Cherry, Diane Nymberg, and Jimmy Duke. Sophomore cheerleaders Kelly Harris and Mindi Russell know who's number one, however, and want no part of the college brawl — at least not for a few more years.

sure knew the difference between "Wahoo-wa" and "Hokie-hi." Luckily I found that I wasn't alone; there was a veritable war going on out there:

Eric Turner, Va. Tech-bound, on U.Va.: "I think they're stuck up, but I don't really know why."

John Dworske, also on U.Va.: "Isn't that the school with all the preps?"

Paul Scanlan, hopefully U.Va.-bound, when asked what he thought of Va. Tech.: "Not much."

Lysle Ailstock, also a Wahoo: "Isn't Tech the poultry research school?"

Blair Ambrose, lamenting the fate of Longwood girls: "No Hampden-Sydney guy would go out with one as long as he lives."

Lisa Wright, when told that Hampden-Sydney guys like Sweet Briar girls: "I don't care. Sweet Briar is for rich preps."

Sydney Marthinson, Sweet Briar-bound: "I'm not a rich prep."

Michael Jones, hopefully headed for Annapolis, on West Point: "I guess it's not bad, considering that it's Army."

Tom Gore, on West Point's bad point: "It's Army."

It sure made me feel better to know that other people were thinking about next year (or the next four years) besides me. Of course I did decide to keep thinking about the time ahead; after all, your senior year was not the thing to let slip through your fingers and, well, maybe that's not entirely true: heck, I just wanted to graduate. — D.C. □

Sweating, stretching, and aching were normal everyday occurrences for the athletes of F.C. Before the regular season began, the students and coaches had already spent hours upon hours preparing. Practices began a month prior to the opening match and consisted of conditioning, as muscles had to be retuned and strengthened. Also included in the rigorous workouts were countless drills and plays which had to be completed and memorized to perfection. After two or three hours of such grueling exercise, it was a wonder any of the athletes survived.

But survive they did. In fact, F.C.'s sports teams did more than just survive as they knocked the competition flat and led their school to victory. District titles were brought home in both Men's and Women's Soccer, Football, Women's Tennis (State Champs!), and Gymnastics. Although there were many outstanding individuals who set new school and even some district records, the unity, dedication, and companionship executed within each team were responsible for the successful seasons. As the athletes pushed their bodies to the limit, the F.C. tradition of fine sportsmanship and performance was once again prevelant, and the fans had quite a bit to cheer about! — J.G. □



One of the many responsibilities of a cheerleaders was attending all athletic events. Even though cheering was very time-consuming, Laura Rowan, Kelly Harris, Sally Campbell, Cindy Fall, Kelly Knight, and Kathy Smithson enjoyed being with each other and rooting for all of the F.C. teams.

Thlrđ baseman, Jimbo Godfrey, was poised at the plate in order to prevent Green Run from scoring a home run. With such stiff defense, the young baseball team proved to be quite a challenge.

Shari Rubin, a dominant force on the women's soccer team, kicked a corner kick thus providing First Colonial with an advantage over arch-rival Cox.



LEADER OF THE

PACK!

SPORTS



While Chris Drinko's opponent attempted to win the intensive match, Chris used his experience, skill, and encouragement from his fellow teammates and the crowd in order to outwit his adversary and gain more points for F.C. Senior Chris Drinko, 145, proved to be an important asset to the wrestling team.

WE CHALLENGED THE COMPETITION . . .

The football team emerged as undisputed Beach District champs.



Practicing after school with the Patriot football team prepared Tom Barton for the season ahead.

Will Forbes eluded a Princess Anne tackle and broke outside for a second quarter touchdown.



Mark Inderlied, an All-Beach All-Tidewater place kicker booted another one through the goal posts.

Coach Webster gave quarterback Will Godfrey some words of advice on how to execute the next play.

The First Colonial marquee proudly displayed a long-awaited victory over the Kempsville Chiefs.



A potent rushing attack led the 1982 edition of the First Colonial football team to a near duplicate of last season, right down to their 10-1-1 record. Picked to finish no better than third in the district in pre-season polls, the Patriots let the press eat their words by rolling to their second consecutive Beach title. And, sadly, the season once again ended in an Eastern Regional championship loss. Nevertheless, the team produced one of the most successful football seasons in recent memory.

One of the main factors in this season's success, was Cinderella running back, Will Forbes. Content with playing in the shadow of Anthony Olds at the beginning of the season, Forbes replaced the injured Olds in the second game of the year. It took Forbes slightly more than a game and a half to prove to everyone he was a force to be reckoned with. Producing nearly half of the team's entire offensive production throughout the season, the 5'7" Forbes shredded opposing defenses for an incredible 1,573 yards on just 173 carries, giving him an unheard of 9.1 yards per carry average. He also led the team in receptions, eight for one hundred yards, and in scoring, with twenty-three touchdowns. He also played defensive back on occasion, punted, and returned punts and kickoffs. His rushing and scoring totals were tops in the district. A virtual offensive machine, he earned Player of the Year honors in the district and in Tidewater, and received second team merit in the state.

Of course, the team could not win by Forbes' talent alone. Senior quarterback Will Godfrey ran the deceptive wishbone attack to near perfection while rushing for two hundred yards and three touchdowns. Will also completed thirty-two of eighty passes in an unheralded Patriot passing attack for 634 yards and eight touchdowns. Will received little recognition for his contributions to the team mainly because his statistics did not reflect his value as a team leader.

"We had one of the top offenses and defenses in the Tidewater area, and this reflected our team's great balance."

— Brad Lynch



FRONT ROW: B. Davis, E. Turner, M. Jaffee, T. McKee, J. McTyre, E. Ennis, J. Godfrey, J. Merklinger, R. Sweeny, W. Fifield, J. Pearson. **KNEELING:** B. Lynch, W. Simons, T. Grissinger, P. Ballard, D. Dworske, J. Fay, M. Nymberg, R. Mitchell, C. Leuschner, C. Karvala, H. Shiflet, J. Donahue, D. Corleto, Q. Bethea, T. Dees, A. Phillips, T. Barton, P. Russell, K. Hayden, J. Stocker. **MIDDLE ROW:** A. Olds, V. Forbes, T. Jennings, M. Inderlied, J. Wolff, W. Forbes, W. Godfrey, C. Owens, T. Darden, T. Owens. **BACK ROW:** T. Langley, D. Holland, S. Pavlik, K. Keefe, W. Payne, K. Paasch, I. Saunders, M. Mitchell, J. Vance, J. Duke

The success of any team's offense depends on the offensive line. Our extremely powerful offensive line was headed by Eric Turner, Harvey Shiflet and Jim Godfrey. Turner and Godfrey received honorable mention on the all-state team, while Shiflet was placed on the all-state's second team.

If Will Forbes was Mr. Offense, Kevin Keeffe was Mr. Defense. Anchoring on extremely strong defensive line, Kevin recorded his jersey number, 71, in tackles, along with thirteen assists, six quarterback sacks, and a safety. His achievements earned him all district, all region, and all state first team selections as a defensive tackle. Kevin was one of the most sought after high school defensive prospects in the state, **Kevin** added, "I felt great satisfaction in proving the early predictions of the media far from accurate."

Kevin, however, was just one of many talented defensive players. Defensive end Terence Langley contributed eighty-six tackles, twenty assists, an interception, a fumble recovery, and seven quarterback sacks. He was placed on the first team both in the district and the region for his outstanding play. Jim Godfrey joined Terence and Kevin on both of those defensive teams with eighty tackles, seventeen assists, two interceptions, and three fumble recoveries.

A group of extremely talented individuals, the team jelled early in the season under the wisdom and guidance of Beach District Coach of the Year, Frank Webster, and proved that they could work well as a unit. **Mark Inderlied** reflected on the team's attitude, "A team's success depends on the ability of the players to get along. A team can't function with a lot of friction between teammates. We got along really well, which was a definite asset to the team." Place kicker Mark Inderlied was a pleasant surprise this year. Kicking forty PAT's and five FG's, Mark was second on the team in scoring. He received first team district and regional honors and honorable mention in state.

On the field there were no show-offs or cut-ups, but a group of well disciplined, highly talented players, well deserved of the title "winners." The coaches and seniors gave the younger players great incentive by instilling in them the winning tradition here at F.C., "stated **Jim Godfrey**. And to be sure, the enthusiasm, and the pride instilled in both the players and their fans was a great credit to First Colonial High School. — M.D. □



Quarterback Kevin Johnson of Lake Taylor was about to be sacked by Jim Godfrey and Harvey Shiflet.

	F.C.	Opp.
Kellam	27	7
Granby	30	0
Princess Anne	14	7
Bayside	31	12
Kempsville	41	13
Cox	41	14
B.T. Washington	24	22
Green Run	21	8
Maury	45	14
Lake Taylor	24	24
Norcom	16	15
Lake Taylor	7	23

Trae Jennings tried desperately to recover a fumble while also battling with a Lake Taylor full-back.

In desperation and in vain, Terence Langley, Trae Jennings and Irvin Saunders searched for the ball.



... AND WE RAN!

Post season all-star teams were saturated with Patriot players.



Will Godfrey began this strong side option which ended in a fake handoff to fullback Jeff McTyre.

Dropping back, Will Godfrey looked for an open receiver in F.C.'s 14-7 victory over P.A.H.S.

F.C.'s star running back, Will Forbes, turned a corner untouched by Norcom defenders and broke into the clear for an extensive gain in yardage.

Cheering and chanting energetically, the F.C. cheerleaders could be heard at almost all the sporting events sparking much school spirit and enthusiasm. "Cheering this year," according to **Sally Campbell**, "kept me involved and a part of the excitement so evident here at First Colonial."

This year taking the place of Carolyn Griffin as cheering sponsor was Mrs. Brenda Rhodes, presently a fashion teacher here at F.C. According to **Mrs. Rhodes**, "The girls helped tremendously to make my job as the new cheering sponsor so much easier. It took a lot of extra time and hard work to do a good job and if given the opportunity to do it again, I would."

Kathy Smithson, Carter Chaffin, and Laura Rowan claimed, "Mrs. Rhodes was more than just a cheering sponsor, she was a friend and advisor to all of us and due to the number of new girls cheering this year, she was quite willing to devote much of her own time to work with us."

Under the leadership of Mrs. Rhodes, the girls claimed she was like a second mother to them. However, when it came to cheering they said, "She expected a lot!" The girls realized this as the summer and present school year brought many two hour practices where their voices echoed throughout the stadium, parking lot, and the various halls of F.C.

"I've loved the girls like my own," commented Mrs. Rhodes, "and when it

came to cheering, I did expect a lot. But, that was natural. The girls felt at times that I was overly hard on them but I have a feeling they appreciated it. It also made me proud to see them out there cheering for their school's teams and knowing they had come such a long way since the beginning of the year."

Practice, discipline, dedication, and time: these were the basics of an F.C. cheerleader. But, . . . in a better sense, Laura Rowan summed it up by saying, "Cheering goes far beyond just cheers and chants. It means a chance for friends to be together, work together, and build strong relationships that will last forever." — M.A.D. □

SPIRIT THAT SPEAKS

As they cheered, they could be heard.

"This year has surely been my most memorable one. I've really enjoyed leading, cheering, and working with all the girls. Our squad has really worked as a unit and was proud in being able to represent not only FC's student body, but also the administration."

— **Cindy Fall**



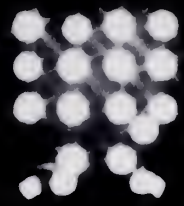
Front: C. Fall, C. Chaffin, **Left:** S. Sherrill, B. Hulan, M. Russell, P. Chaffin, **Center:** K. Smithson, S. Campbell, **Right:** A. MacIver, K. Mullaney, L. Rowan, K. Knight, **Top:** K. Harris, V. Beasley



A group effort, the F.C. cheerleaders, along with little Casha Beasley, helped to raise the spirit of the team members as well as the general spirit of the large crowd.

Proud to be representing First Colonial, Mindi Russell proved herself to the faculty, administration, and student body by braving low temperatures and whipping wind.





eth Hulan, Sally Campbell, Page Chaffin, and
usan Sherrill lead the crowd in a number of pep-
 y cheers at the First Colonial vs. Norcom football
 ame.

All the practices and hours of hard work paid off
 as Kelly Harris displayed a glowing smile while
 watching the Patriot football team run downfield
 for another touchdown.



BEATING A PATH

F.C.'s Cross Country team gained experience for next season.

Determined as they were, our very inexperienced cross country team met with grave disappointment and a winless season this year. Strong team unity and a positive attitude, however, helped to make the season worthwhile. "I was very proud of their effort. They were dedicated, showed up in practice, and I appreciated it," reflected **Coach Hill**.

A definite bright spot throughout the season was the running of Andre Bridgers. Placing first in five of six regular season meets, he concluded the season by placing in the district tournament, thus earning trips to the regional and state meets. Bridgers averaged an impressive 18:26 time over the 3.1 course at Mount Trashmore, with David Galway and Chris Stubbs also turning in consistently fast times.

Galway, Stubbs, Tim Murphy, Chris Bond, and James Baumstark also competed in the district tournament, as did the team's only female participant, Suzanne Weber.

So in spite of the poor record, this young team proved they had the talent and spirit deserved of the title "winners."
— M.D. □

"Although we lacked the talent and numbers of the other teams in the district, our willingness to work made us morally victorious. Our record certainly did not reflect our team. We were very young, beginning a new program under a new coach. Our togetherness will carry on into next season and hopefully bring us success."

— John Bischof



Green Run
Kempsville
Princess Anne
Bayside
Cox
Kellam

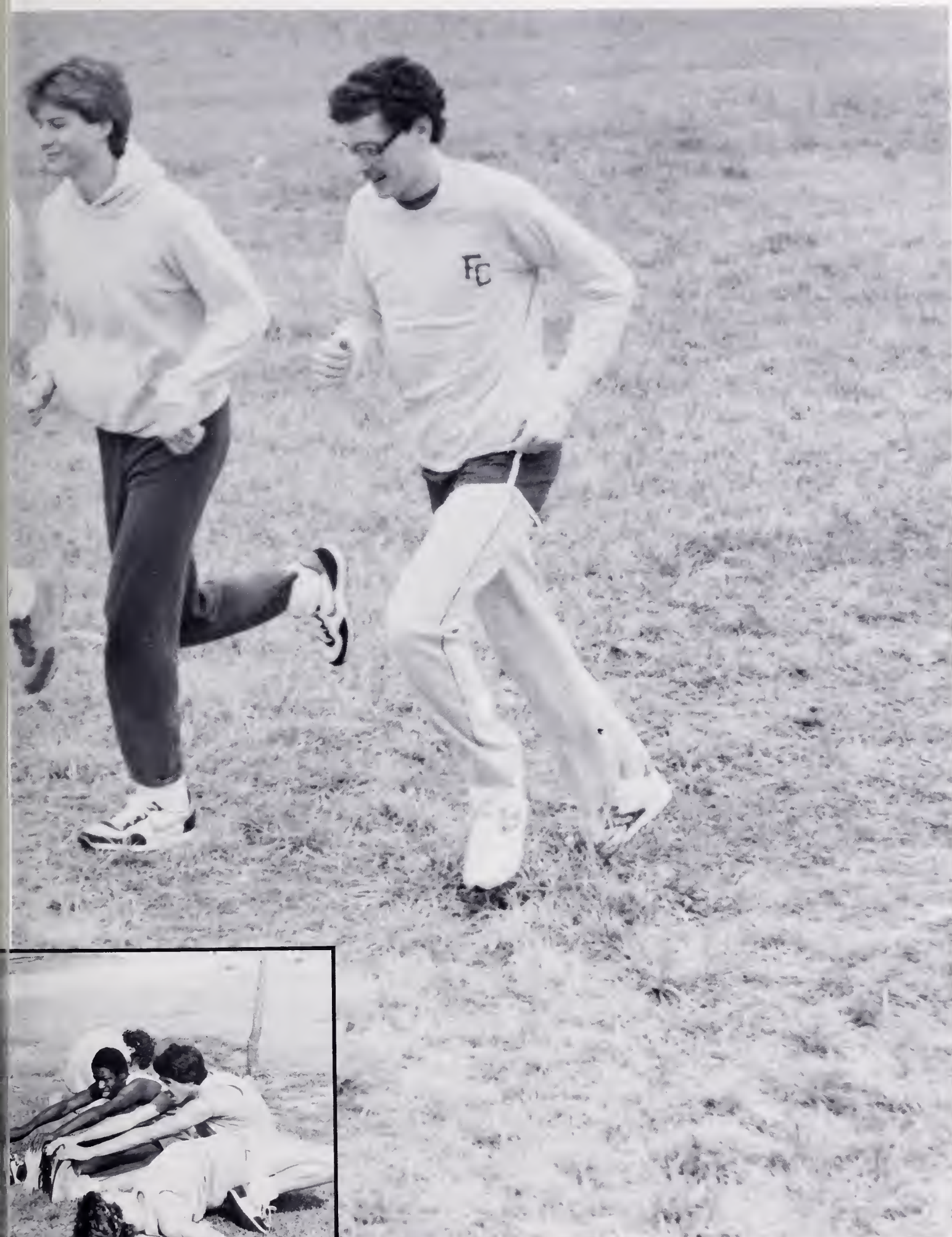
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The entire team loosened up by running this lap before meeting with Princess Anne at Mount Trashmore.

1982 First Colonial Cross Country Team — Front: Frank Speeney, Andre Bridgers, Jim Baumstark, Suzanne Weber; Back: Chris Stubbs, Tim Murphy, Scott Jones, David Galway, John Bischof, Chris Bond

Andre Bridgers stayed in stride as he covered the 3.1 mile Mount Trashmore course ahead of the pack.



Scott Jones, Tim Murphy, Andre Bridgers, and David Galway stretched out their muscles before a meet.

Chris Stubbs and David Galway practiced to improve their times for the cross country run at Mt. Trashmore.

"We had a lot of fun but the key was that we knew when to get serious. Miss Burkhart was a big help too. She was a great coach."

Ann Howard

In a match against Cox, F.C.'s Cathy Cox, a two year veteran of the team, served to her opponent.

Sophomore Kelly Harris, ranked fifth, kept her eye on the ball as she prepared to hit her fore-hand.



	F.C.	Opp.
Green Run	9	0
Cox	8	1
Kellam	9	0
Kempsville	9	0
Princess Anne	9	0
Bayside	8	1
Green Run	9	0
Cox	9	0
Kellam	9	0
Kempsville	9	0
Princess Anne	9	0
Bayside	9	0
District	9	0
Regional	9	0
State	5	4

Sweeping through the Beach District undaunted, the First Colonial Patriot girls' tennis team went on to State and came away proudly wearing the crown. Their coach, **Miss Burkhart** said of their '82 triumph, "Going to state isn't something that we could take for granted; the girls really had to work hard to get there, and that's just what they did."

Hard work is always considered a major key to a team's success, but a team must also have talent and the Lady Pats have always had an inexhaustable supply. Once again dominating Beach District singles play was Ann Howard, F.C.'s top ranked player. Ann, a senior who helped the Lady Patriots take the State title by placing first in the state in singles, had a string of thirty-six consecutive wins over her four year career in high school. She was chosen by First Colonial as its Most Outstanding Player and was honored by the Norfolk Sports Club by being chosen as the Most Outstanding Tidewater Scholastic Tennis Player. Ann also made up one of the Lady Pat's doubles teams; a team which had won Beach District and Regional titles two

years in a row and placed second in state two years in a row. F.C.'s other doubles team, comprised of Sarah McGuire, ranked third, and Stacey Shiftlet, ranked fourth, went undefeated in district, regional, and state play and earned the title of Most Valuable Doubles Team due to a clinche victory they pulled off which secured the state title for F.C. Only a few names are usually mentioned when the Lady Pat's tennis team is discussed, but in actuality, the whole team deserves recognition. As **Coach Burkhart** said, "We needed all fourteen players to win state — they all contributed to the championship."

In reflection on the season as a whole, **Anne Leonard**, a senior, remarked, "It was a great way to end my last year on the team and I'd like to thank Coach Burkhart for the help and support she gave to all of us this season." Coach Burkhart when reflecting on the team's '82 season attributed their success to their talent, maturity in play, and to their motto, "Positive Mental Attitude". Since four of the Lady Pats top six players are underclassmen, the future can't help but look bright. — T.W. □



Ann Howard, the Lady Patriots top ranked player, smashed a ball across the net with her powerful over-hand shot.

Tennis Team: Front Row: Kelly Harris, Missy Tourgee, Middle Row: Sarah McGuire, Cindi Armistead, Stacy Shiftlet, Suzanne Mannschreck, Cathy Cox, Back Row: Kristin Byng, Lori Manger, Ann Howard, Anne Leonard, Marianne Mannschreck, Leslie Doub, Jeanene Jacobs, Coach Burkhart

VIRGINIA'S FINEST

The Lady Pats captured the District, Regional and State titles.



Senior Leslie Doub returned a ball, hit by her opponent during an exhibition with the Kempsville Chiefs.

During one of the Lady Pats practice sessions, Lori Manger concentrated on improving her forehand.



When asked how they spent their time after school, most people replied that they watched television or went to a friend's house. Well, one group of devoted girls sacrificed those pleasures for two and a half hours of gruelling practice. These girls composed the field hockey team, and while most students were lounging around the house eating junk-food and watching HBO, these patriotic girls were out on the

field expending their energy running and working on various drills. "Our practices were rough," stated **Debbie Wilson**, "but they did prepare us for our games."

Under the direction of a new coach, Ms. Mann, the team finished the season with a 4-6 record. As expected, these hard-working girls improved considerably since last season when they had a 2-8 record. And if the team continues to

fulfill its expectations, next year's team should be even more successful.

Spirit and enthusiasm were overly abundant in these girls, and they played a key role in the team's improvement. Unlike last year's team, the 1982 team had the unity necessary to win. "Our field hockey team may not have been number one in the city", commented **Lisa Berry**, "but we worked as a team and had fun doing so. In our

STICKING IT TO 'EM

The field hockey team doubled last year's record.



Front: T. Darling, C. Chaffin, B. Leopold, M. Beam, J. Hartz, **Middle:** A. Todd, T. Foster, L. Miller, L. Beam, D. McCrory, K. Cozzens, L. Berry, H. Maulbon, **Back:** J. Burt, D. Wilson, K. Brooks, J. Rogers, S. Bibeau

"Our field hockey team may not have been number one in the city, but we worked as a team and had fun doing so. In our hearts we know we are number one simply because we are Patriots."

— Lisa Berry



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Among the team's key players were seniors Joan Burt, Carter Chaffin, Barbara Leopold, Tanya Darling, and Lindy and Missy Beam, as well as junior stand-out Tiffany Foster. Also contributing to this year's success were sophomore Kara Cousins and juniors Lisa Berry, Debbie Wilson, and Donna McCrory. Although the bulk of the team's starters will be graduating this year, Ms. Mann believed that the juniors and sophomores will have the talent next year to improve their record and have a winning season.

Although this year did not quite fulfill the team's goal of a winning season, the team accomplished much since last year by ending the season with four wins, doubling last year's record. More importantly, they worked as a team and displayed the winning spirit and wonderful sportsmanship that has become a trademark of all Patriots here at First Colonial. Anyone who has as much spirit and enthusiasm as the members of this year's field hockey team is most assuredly on their way to becoming a real winner. — B.J.S. □

	F.C.	Opp.
Kempsville	0	3
Princess Anne	0	1
Bayside	0	2
Green Run	1	2
Kellam	3	1
Cox	0	6
Kempsville	1	3
Princess Anne	0	2
Bayside	2	1
Green Run	1	0

Senior Missy Bean concentrated as she skillfully passed the ball in a district game against Greer Run. The Patriots went on to beat the Stallions 1-0 and finish the 1982 season with a 4-6 record.



Junior standout Tiffany Foster drove for a goal during a 1-0 victory over district for Green Run.

Juniors Tiffany Foster and Lisa Berry worked on offensive drills during practice before they had to run.



Evan Riddle protected the ball from Danny Crawford and Barry Mitchell during an afternoon practice

Guard Chad Gatlin outjumped the nearest Kempsville player and followed his rebound with an easy layup.

ORDER ON THE COURT

Balance brought victories to the young men's basketball team.



Forward Barry Mitchell launched a touch jump shot over Boo-Boo McGlone and Mart Batzel of Kempsville.



Jimmy Booterbaugh barely got off this long shot; his attempt added two points to the team's cause.

Chad Gatlin soared high in the air, stole the ball from Cox's Jim Palermo, and passed it to Barry Mitchell for an easy two points on the way to another Patriot victory. The fast-breaking team relied on speed, depth, and intelligence on the court throughout their successful season.

Coming off an exceptional 1981-82 campaign which included a Beach District championship, Coach Alton Hill was left with a team with outstanding talent, yet little experience. "Except for Barry (Mitchell) and Chad (Gatlin) our team was very inexperienced, something only time could correct," reflected center **Mark Traub**.

Mitchell, a Beach District first team selection last season, used his great speed and finesse to contribute to the team's success. Gatlin employed a fine shooting touch from all over the court to spark the offense.

A bright surprise for the team this season was the play of junior center Mark Traub. Seeing limited action as a sophomore, Traub filled the void in the middle with his aggressive rebounding and physical play. Another surprise was the play of junior forward Danny Crawford. His aggressiveness and skill were a great asset to the team.

Jimmy Booterbaugh, Mike Savage, and Tony Williams all saw little playing time last season, but returned this year to give the team depth unmatched anywhere in the Beach District. Sophomore Derick Latham came off the bench often and played a key role in quite a few games.

Mark Traub summed up the season saying, "We more than satisfied our first impressions of what the year would bring." Indeed, the team's abundance of talent gave it the finesse and power necessary to be winners. — M.D. □

	F.C.	OPP.
Ferguson	65	57
Green Run	60	61
Norview	67	66
Bayside	88	84
Norview	50	43
Cox	83	50
Princess Anne	61	57
Granby	58	62
Kempsville	45	47
Maury	68	76
Kellam	61	70
Bayside	81	72
Maury	76	81
Cox	78	56
Green Run	78	48
Granby	64	73
Princess Anne	64	59
Ferguson	61	74
Kellam	59	58
Kempsville	56	64
District	59	60

"We lost a few tough games early in the season but improved as the year went on. A lot of people began to do a lot of things right; this helped to open it up for the more experienced players."
Barry Mitchell



Front: Tony Crawford, Jimmy Booterbaugh, Marvill Gaddy, Irvin Saunders, Jesse Heath, Anthony Woodhouse, Derick Latham, Rodney Jordan, Mgr.
Back: Tony Williams, Danny Crawford, Chad Gatlin, Mark Traub, Barry Mitchell, Mike Savage, Carlos Lopez, and Keith Coulsting. (Not pictured: Evan Riddle)
Junior Mark Traub displayed his finesse at the foul line by sinking this free throw against Kempsville.





Long hours of practice paid off for F.C.'s Jennifer Collins as she lofted the ball up toward the basket.

Center Diane Griffin soared up to shoot the ball and score two more points for the Lady Pats against Maury.

CHAMPS IN THE MAKING

Women's Basketball team comprised of young but talented players.



Junior Mamie Ware, a forward, strained while she attempted to put another shot through the hoop.

Racing around a trio of Maury defenders, Joanne Hancock, a point guard, began her drive down court.

	F.C.	Opp.
Ferguson	38	54
Green Run	28	52
Norview	39	56
Bayside	43	54
Norview	39	62
Cox	42	55
Princess Anne	38	34
Granby	46	66
Kempsville	22	66
Maury	41	61
Kellam	56	54
Bayside	39	46
Maury	32	37
Cox	23	53
Green Run	42	52
Granby	32	53
Princess Anne	46	58
Ferguson	36	58
Kellam	38	61
Kempsville	44	64

"They're a young but a good team," commented **Coach Rowlands** when asked to describe the 1982-83 Women's Basketball team. The Lady Pats' relative youth explained their rather unimpressive record for this season, but it also promised strength and experience for next year.

The team's high scorer for the season was junior center, Diane Griffin, who averaged around 13.9 points per game and was the key to the Lady Pats' offensive attack. At point guard for F.C. was junior Joanne Hancock, who, according to Coach Rowlands, was the chief playmaker and team leader in steals, averaging 2.9 a game. Joanne's counter-part was Pat Joyner, one of two seniors on the team. Keying the Lady Pats' defense was Mamie Ware, another junior. Mamie played forward and used her height to help her secure an average of 6.8 rebounds a game, making her the leading rebounder for the Lady Patriots. Completing the starting lineup was junior Stephanie Duke whose position varied between guard and forward. One of the most promising prospects for the Lady Pats was Jessica Gibson, a sophomore who could play any position that Coach Rowlands asked her to.

When asked to sum up the season Senior **Pat Joyner** commented, "We had the potential to be good, but we just weren't consistent enough. I think next year though, they'll have the experience and they'll be fantastic!" — T.W. □

"We were young and lacked experience, but we never gave up."

Mamie Ware



Beth Henley, a senior on the team, set herself up to make another shot and boost F.C.'s total score.

Mary Ann Hyman, weaving her way through a maze of Maury players, drove for the basket and two points.



1982 Women's Basketball Team: Front row: P. Joyner, B. Henley. **Middle row:** L. Sanderlin, J. Hancock, J. Collins, A. Beasley, S. Fifield, A. Jones. **Back row:** J. Gibson, C. O'Brien, D. Griffin, M. Ware, S. Duke, M. Hyman.

"YOU GOTTA LOVE IT"

Dedication leads Patriot grapplers to a successful season.

If you spoke to any member of the 1982-83 wrestling team, you were bound to hear an awful lot of talk about self-discipline, hard work, and extreme dedication. Each day after school, not to mention weekends and holidays, the wrestling team would head to practice for two hours of grueling work-outs comprised of calisthenics, running, weight-lifting, and wrestling. According to **Wendell Fifield**, "The practices were really tough, but everyone on the team did their best and worked their hardest." It was this kind of traditional Patriot dedication that led to the team's success this year.

Along with the overwhelming dedication came superb talent. Among the varsity wrestlers were many with the potential to win Districts. Scott Smithson at 105 was ranked one of the top three in the Tidewater area, as were Wendell Fifield (Unl.) and co-captains John Dworske (176) and David Wilkerson (167). The rest of the starting line-up was filled by equally talented wrestlers: David Donahue (98), Tom Almborg (112), Paul Worells (119), Teddy Pitrone (126), Mike Obal (132), Pete Jones (138), Chris Drinko (145), John Murrell (155), and Terry O'Donnell (185).

The team and their dedication was rounded off with an excellent coach, Mr. Miller, who spent many hours going over videotapes of each match and analyzing each wrestler's performance. Coach Miller was also responsible for building up the team's stamina and endurance. The team as a whole was best summarized by **John Dworske**: "This year's team didn't win the district, but there wasn't a more dedicated team in the state. And besides, we loved it, and 'you gotta love it.'" — B.J.S. □



Chris Drinko, wrestling varsity at 145, went for a take-down in a key matchup against district rival Kempsville.

132 pounder Mike Obal quickly took control of his opponent in a home match against F.C.'s archrival Kempsville.

"The dedication, self discipline, and hard work each person put into the season, along with Mr. Miller's coaching abilities, proved to be a successful combination for us this year."

— **Scott Smithson**

1982-83 Varsity Wrestling Team: Front: David Donahue, Tom Almborg, Paul Worells, Teddy Pitrone, Mike Obal, Pete Jones, Michael Hux, Eddie McLaughlin. Back: John Neely, Tim Redfeam, Chris Drinko, David Wilkerson, John Dworske, Tommy O'Donnell, Wendell Fifield, David Dworske, John Taylor, (Not Pictured: Varsity Members Only — Scott Smithson, John Murrell)



	F.C.	Opp.
Menchville	40	18
Booker T	69	6
Bayside	48	7
Cox	23	30
Kempsville	17	33
Maury	45	21
Kellam	26	28
Lake Taylor	63	14
Green Run	37	26
Princess Anne	19	37
District		3rd place





rappling with a Kempsville opponent, 112 lb. vary-
y wrestler Tom Almberg, went for a reversal and two
oints.

Senior John Murrell took quick control in the 155
lb. competition during a match against
Kempsville.



As Kathy Smithson practiced her bar routine, Kevin Keefe offered a helping hand and friendly advice

Kathy Dwyer performed her balance beam routine with grace and confidence while also displaying her skill

Commonly heard among many professional and amateur athletes is the proverb, practice makes perfect. This year, however, according to First Colonial gymnasts, unity made the team.

Coach Ritenour made it quite clear, "We had to work hard and long to become the unified team we wanted to be... however, we were definitely stable and had a really well organized, all-around program."

Team member and Jr. Olympic competitor, **Kathy Dwyer** pointed out, "Gymnastics is hard work but it's even harder to sacrifice dates with friends or

late nights out to practice and work out three to four hours a day for meets and competitions." Kathy qualified for the National Junior Olympics during the summer of 1982. She competed and received a second place on the balance beam and a third place on the vault.

All the team members felt that there was still room for improvement. The great amount of potential, however, was what made this season special. "There was no one girl who made or broke the team this year. All the talent was equally distributed," claimed **Kathy Smithson, Cindy Fall and Julie Burrows**. "And because there were so

many injuries, all the girls were forced to work together for the Beach District Championship and the state representation. The girls were totally supportive of each other and the team. They winced when someone was hurt and clapped when others did well."

Coach Ritenour felt she had much to be proud of and also felt that the Lady Patriots' winning tradition did not end at the conclusion of the season. "I have quite a few girls returning next year. I also have high hopes. From the looks of things, I may not have to rebuild half as much as I had expected." — M.A.D. □

FLIPPIN' OUT

Unity took them to the top of the Beach District.



Julie Burrows displayed her gracefulness and power as she performed her first difficult tumbling run.

While **Kristi James** and **Alison MacIver** looked on, **Cindy Mitchell** displayed her flexibility and balance.



	F.C.	Opp.
Cox	93	85
Kellam	93	53
Green Run	95	85
Princess Anne	95	62
Bayside	94	69
Kempsville	94	83
Cox	96	89
Kellam	96	62
Princess Anne	94	67
Green Run	94	85
Bayside	100	80
Kempsville	94	77

"Our main goal this year was unity and through it we attained the Championship."

— **Kelly Mullaney**



Flying high above the narrow balance beam, team member **Kathy Dwyer** made this jump look unusually easy.

FRONT ROW: K. Dwyer, J. Holmes, K. Smithson, J. Burrows. **MIDDLE ROW:** Roach Ritenour, S. Sherrill, L. Crocker, C. Fall, C. Kearney, K. James (Manager). **BACK ROW:** D. Cullen, K. Mullaney, K. Holmes.



Junior Mark Inderled practiced juggling a soccerball during a workout to improve his ball control.

Willie Kee, a first-team All-District player, outmaneuvered an opponent during a 7-0 rout of Kellam.

Each day after school, while most students were out playing Pac Man or Tempest at the nearest arcade or sitting at home watching t.v., a group of twenty-six guys would head for the soccer field for a few hours of practice. These guys, of course, made up the 1981-1982 edition of the Patriot soccer team, and in keeping with First Colonial tradition, they added another Beach District title to the long list of those that have already been won. That title, however, did not come easily. Mr. Fir-

stahl, coaching his first F.C. team, made these guys work nonstop for about three hours a day, rain or shine. Each afternoon the team would run at least three miles and then scrimmage during the rest of practice. These brutal practices obviously paid off, however, as the team rolled to a 7-1-4 record before being defeated 3-2 by eventual state champion Kecoughtan in the state playoffs. Practice was not the only factor in the Patriot's success. A score of talented individual players including Matt Balm-

forth, Jeff Ettel, Bruce Owen, Jeff Heath, and Willie Kee made valuable contributions to the team's overwhelming success. Sophomores David Schmidt, Matt Vester, Bo Rhinehardt, and Chris Karvala also had productive seasons and are expected to do an excellent job again this year. The team's attitude also played an important role in their winning season. "Everyone on the team was quite enthusiastic about playing, and we were always extremely psyched for the

KICKING AND GRINNING

Spirit and enthusiasm sparked another winning season.



1981-1982 men's soccer team: Front Row: J. Ettel, M. Mulhall, C. Masters, C. Karvala, J. Heath. Middle Row: N. Nayak, D. McCrory, S. Kim, D. Schmidt, W. Kee, J. Wermers, A. Kee, M. Inderlied, L. Tugwell, B. Owen. Back Row: R. Meetre, M. Vester, G. Pallister, D. Humphreys, M. Balmforth, Coach Firnstahl, C. Drinko, J. Meadows, C. Lugo, B. Rhinehardt. **Not pictured:** Phill Mitchell and Mike Timm.

Sophomore Alex Kee watched enthusiastically as Jeff Heath took a penalty kick in a district match-up against Kellam. The Patriot booters went on to shut out the Knights 7-0 en route to yet another winning season as well as the Beach District title.

	F.C.	Opp.
Green Run	6	3
Bayside	0	0
Kempsville	2	2
Cox	0	1
Princess Anne	5	3
Kellam	7	0
Green Run	2	2
Bayside	1	1
Kempsville	5	1
Cox	4	1
Princess Anne	4	0
Kellam	5	0
Kecoughtan	2	3

games," commented **David Schmidt**. "Yeah," added **Matt Vester**, "the team joked around a lot, but when the time came to get out onto the field and win a game, we worked together and won." Although many talented players graduated this past year, the Patriots expect to have another dominating season this year. Willie and Alex Kee, along with many other excellent players, will be returning this year to lead the Patriot booters. Coach Firnstahl is looking forward to sweeping the Beach District again and getting another shot at the region and state titles. **Mike Mulhall** said, "Our team has a great offense and a great defense. I believe that we have a good chance of finally making it all the way to the state semifinals. Who knows, we may even win the state title this year." **Bo Rhinehardt**, returning as a junior on this year's team, tended to agree. "We have a lot of talent coming back, and we have a good coach so we should have another successful season." — B.J.S. □

"Practicing every day, rain or shine, plus excellent individual players was the key to our success in winning the Beach District title."
— Jeff Ettel





Valusia Beasley toned up for the soccer season by running the bleachers and aided in clinching the beach district championship for the Lady Patriots.

Headed downfield, followed by Debbie Keyes and the referee, Sherri Rubin outran members of the opposing team, gaining total control of the game.

JUST A PASSING FANCY

The Lady Patriots grasped another season victory.



During a home game, Elizabeth Keyes displayed her skill and expertise required for corner kicking.

	F.C.	Opp.
Green Run	4	0
Bayside	6	1
Kempsville	3	1
Cox	1	1
Princess Anne	3	2
Kellam	5	0
Green Run	6	0
Bayside	4	1
Kempsville	3	1
Cox	3	1
Princess Anne	4	0
Kellam	4	0

While Susan Nichols looked on, Kelly Sherman met a speeding soccer ball headed in the wrong direction.



Passing their way through another season, it's no surprise that the F.C. Lady Patriots were number one in the beach district.

"It's been our best year ever," said **Coach Rowlands**, smiling from ear to ear. "We had a team of outstanding players who worked diligently throughout the entire season."

Senior and center forward, Kelly Sherman scored a total of twenty three goals in regular season play, while Peggy Poore, the Lady Patriot goalie, managed six shutouts.

The Lady Patriots finished their season with a final record of 11-0-1 and yet another beach district title under their belts.

Sue Komarnicki, a returning Lady Patriot, said, "I'm looking forward to another excellent season under the leadership of Coach Rowlands. There is a lot of new talent on the rise and I know the Coach will use it to the best of her ability."

Valusia Beasley stated with much pride, "Even though Kelly Sherman scored most of the goals, winning the district championship was a team effort. We worked hard and we deserved it."

"The upcoming year will be one of rebuilding for the Lady Patriots," said **Coach Rowlands** with a slight tinge of anticipation. "However, with such an excellent season of victories behind us, it will be a tough one to beat." — M.A.D. □

"Winning the district championship was a team effort. We worked hard and we deserved it."

— **Valusia Beasley**

Racing to Sherri Rubin's rescue, Debbie Keyes aided in fending off the members of the Cox soccer team.

FRONT ROW: S. Nichols, P. Poore, K. Sherman. **MIDDLE ROW:** V. Beasley, T. Foster, D. Breast, S. Wilson, S. Hux, L. Schafer, S. Rubin, E. Keyes, L. Wrenn. **BACK ROW:** A. Crabbs, L. Weaver, S. Komarnicki, J. Rogers, P. Fisher, J. Burt, A. Leonard, C. Halonski, D. Keyes, B. Garrou, Coach Rowlands.

RACE TO THE FINISH

F.C. ran neck 'n' neck with P.A. in the season-long battle for the Beach District crown.



It took a great deal of practice for Pierre Olds and Ben Forbes to get their hand-offs timed perfectly.

Flying over the first hurdle, Javon Creekmore led in the Mens Intermediate Hurdles while competing against Cox.

David Speeney gave a final burst of speed as he barrelled toward the wire in a grueling 3200 meter race.



Once again the First Colonial boys track team was a top contender in the race for first place in the Beach District. Track standouts such as Terrance Langley, Frank Speeney and Mike Williams helped the '82 team in its battle with Princess Anne for first place.

The team owed a great deal of its success to a number of juniors. Three were Beach District champions: Mike Williams in the 400 meters, Frank Speeney in the pole vault, and Quincy Bethea in the triple jump. Acting as the workhorse for the '82 team was junior **Terrance Langley** who participated in up to six events in some meets and who usually placed in all of them. According to Terrance, "It was a vigorous workout at meets to compete in all those events. While doing the high jump, they would

call me to run the 400 meters, and by the time I'd get back to the high jump, I'd be dead."

First Colonial had dominated track in the Beach District for the past four out of five years. This year, in the District meet, Princess Anne took the championship from First Colonial after the two teams had battled it out all season. With all three District champions returning plus a host of others such as Javon Creekmore, Andre "Pig" Bridgers, Chris Stubbs, and Wesley Haynes, **Coach Barto** is looking forward to gaining to gaining the crown back next year. In looking toward the future he said, "Next year's team is going to be even better with the help we'll get from the junior high kids, and I know we'll be the number one team in the Beach!" — T.W. □



Front: T. Darden, M. Williams, P. Olds, **Middle:** B. Forbes, J. Ring, S. McClain, D. Speeney, D. Baumstark, C. Stubbs, **Back:** F. Speeney, D. Grolman, M. Maynard, C. Petrin, J. Giese, T. Stevenson, S. Armacost, D. Demchuck, **Not Pictured:** T. Langley, R. Cowan, S. Riley, Q. Bethea, J. Creekmore, T. Grisenger, S. West, A. Bridges

Frank Speeney, First Colonial's champion pole vaulter, made his run in a meet against Cox.

	F.C.	Opp
Kempsville	75	63
Princess Anne	57	75
Bayside	69	67
Cox	111	24
Kellam	94	42
Green Run	Canceled	

"We had a lot of young talent that made up three quarters of the team, and we were strong in most points such as the 500 meters, the pole vault, the 800 meters, and the discus."

— Frank Speeney



One of F.C.'s top contenders in the triple jump, Terrance Langley attempted for the 20 ft. mark.

John Giese used heart, soul, and physical strength when he threw the shotput for F.C. at the Cox meet.

As the 1982 track season opened, the F.C. Lady Patriots were off and running; running toward their best season in the history of girls' track at F.C.

Under the new leadership of Sharon Burkhardt, the girls trained every afternoon from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in March, April, and May. "The men coaches were great and helped so much in the daily training of the girls," said **Coach Burkhardt**. "They were so willing to spend that extra time with the girls and encourage them to perfect their own individual event."

The 1982 track team, with its season well underway, was blooming all over with old talent as well as new. A veteran

and outstanding long distance runner, senior Denise Love, competed in the mile and 800 meter runs during the regular season meets and went on to compete in the regional and state track meets.

Trina Creekmore, a sophomore and dedicated member of the Lady Patriot track team, displayed her skill in the mile relay, 400 meter relay, 100 meter run, and 400 meter run. Competing in the 400 meter run became Trina's speciality and by the end of the season, she was ready to progress to the regional and state competitions. Trina's record-breaking time of 55.1 seconds put her in the top ten runners of the National High School Track All American of 1982.

After missing the district championship by only three points, **Diane Griffin** said, "Had we had more strength in the field events, we would have done much better." Although this was a great disappointment for the team, it was not to overshadow their impressive season.

To Coach Burkhardt's surprise, about fourteen girls, veteran team members, will be returning for next years' season with most of them participating in different running and field events.

The 1983 season holds much determination, a lot of new talent, and many goals both old and new for the Lady Patriots, whether they excell in one or all the events. However, no one will know until after the gun. — M.A.D. □

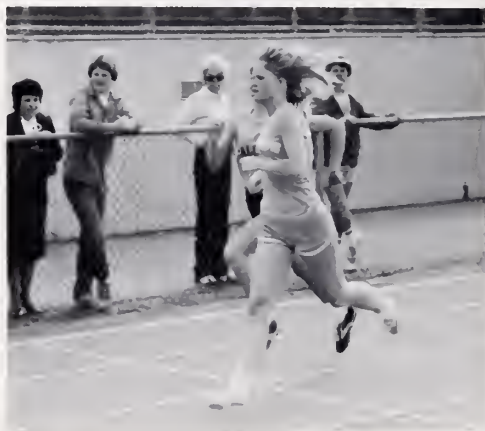
AFTER THE GUN

The Lady Patriots placed second in the District.

"We had a great team last year, and with all the new talent we have a lot of potential for the future."

— Susan Sherrill

	F.C.	Opp.
Kempsville	85	30
Princess Anne	86	31
Bayside	56	58
Cox	64	48
Kellam	78	37
Districts	2nd place	



Despite losing her shoe on the curve, Suzanne Whittier raced to take first place in the 200 meter run.



A senior and outstanding distance runner, Denise Love headed for the finish line to clinch yet another victory for the Lady Patriots in the mile run.



Girls Track Team: Front: P. Joyner, D. Love, S. Sherrill, T. Creekmore, C. Haynes, S. Sutton, **Middle:** S. Whittier, L. McFarland, K. Zeller, A. Howard, R. Morris, M. Carter, D. Griffin, **Back:** Coach Burkhardt, C. Dozier, S. Smith, K. Battaglia, T. Whelan, C. Smith, L. Channon, R. Mock, P. Dunston, C. Butts, M. Doran. Not Pictured: M. Ware, M. McGruder.





Mike Jordana worked on his patented putting stroke minutes before this match against Princess Anne.

Steven Lee practiced his putting stroke before this golf match against the Bayside Marlins.

BASES LOADED

The Lady Pats were second in the Beach once again.

Although still very young, the Lady Patriots softball team, under the coaching of Miss Mann, once again placed second in the Beach District for the 1982 season. The Lady Pats earned their second place berth in the District after losing to eventual State Champions, Cox, in a 2-1 heartbreaker. "It was the closest game Cox had," said **Coach Mann**.

The team's starting lineup for the '82 season was comprised basically of talented underclassmen. Beth Henley, a junior and the Lady Pats starting catcher, made Second Team All-District, and Coach Mann sees a bright future for her. "I think she's the best catcher in the league, and with some improvement in hitting she'll be ranked number one next year," said **Coach Mann**. F.C.'s starting pitcher and the team's 1982 M.V.P., junior Cyndi Riesenburg, was out at the beginning of the year due to an injury, but came back and made a fine performance to close out the season. Starting third baseman Carol McCraw, a senior, was another asset to the Lady Pats, being ranked first in the District and being one of F.C.'s top hitters. Not to be forgotten though, was the bat of Missy Beam who helped F.C. offensively during the season. "I think we all worked well together as a team," said **Cyndi Riesenburg**, "We had a few problems at the beginning, but when we got those problems cleared up things started clicking."

For the past two years First Colonial's softball team has placed second in the District, but **Coach Mann** has her sights set a bit higher for next year. "We had a lot of talent and a lot of spirit this year and that's all coming back — just wait," said Coach Mann with a grin. — T.W. □

"For a young team, we had a lot of talent and determination."

— Missy Beam

	F.C.	Opp.
Great Bridge	6	5
Wilson	5	11
Indian River	11	5
Oscar Smith	12	3
Green Run	6	10
Bayside	2	7
Kempsville	14	2
Cox	1	2
Princess Anne	10	7
Kellam	7	5
Green Run	5	2
Bayside	1	4
Kempsville	3	1
Cox	4	6
Princess Anne	8	2
Kellam	5	8



Sitting: C. McCraw, L. Beam, **Left:** D. Kemick, J. Hancock, K. Moran, A. Veillette, L. Sanderland, M. Bain, **Right:** R. O'Conner, C. Riesenburg, J. Knowell, M. Beam, D. McCrory, **Back:** K. McDanel, D. Kenedy, K. Patton, K. McHugh, B. Henley, **Not Pictured:** P. McBride, J. Lubbs.

F.C. was about to score another run as third baseman Carol McCraw headed for the plate.



Rounding third, Katherine McHugh headed for home to score again and clinch a victory for the Lady Pats.



Beth Henley, F.C.'s first string catcher scooped up another strike in a 14-2 victory over Kempsville.

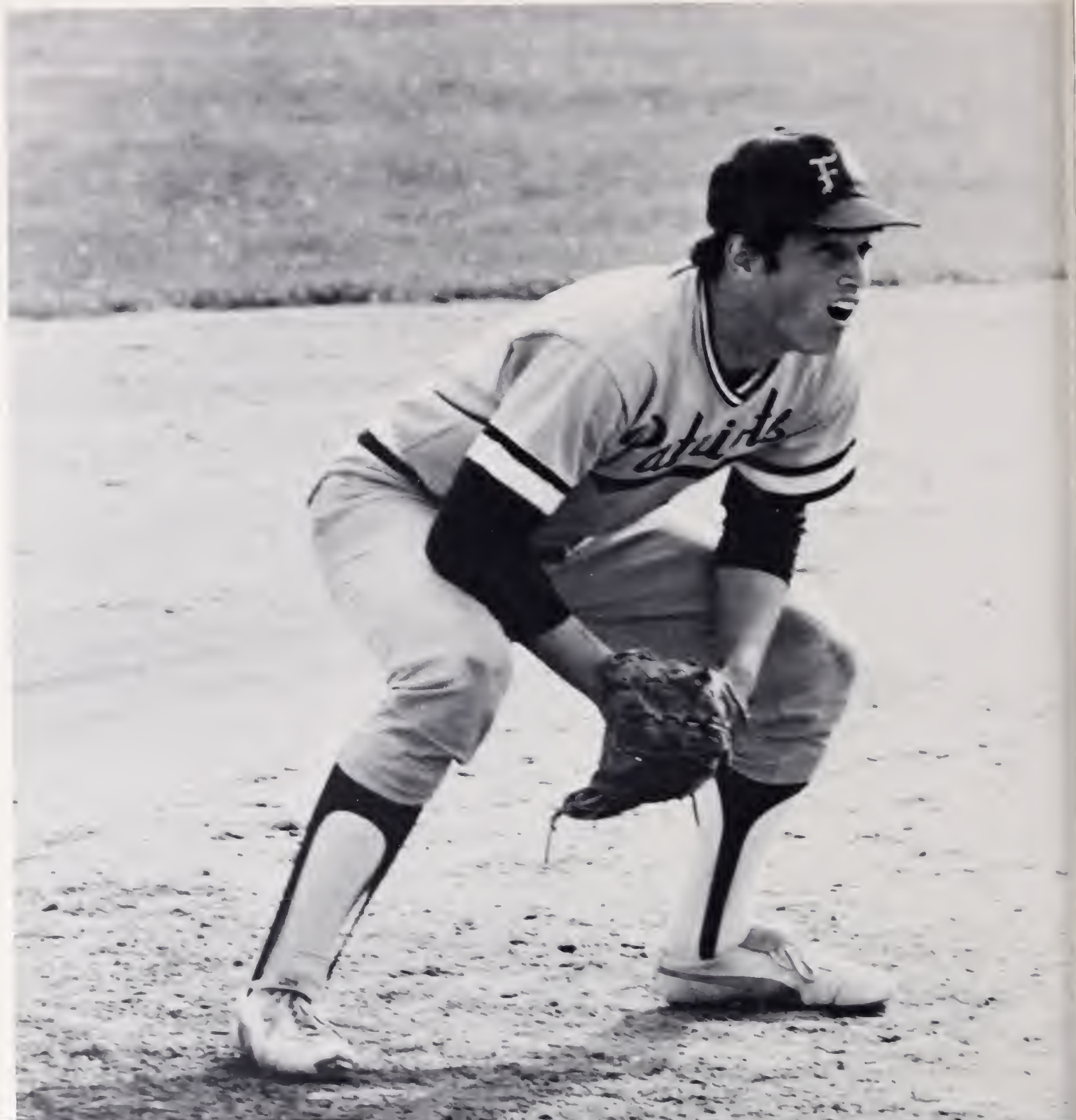
Lindy Beam smashed another ball into the outfield in a game against Kempsville for a triple and an RBI.





Missy Beam fielded balls during practice. The hard work the Lady Pats put in during practice was an important key to their success this past season.

Cindy Relsenburg, the Lady Patriot's ace pitcher, wound up to throw another strike while playing Bayside.



Jeff McTyre scooped up a ground ball in practice. Daily practices like these were a vital necessity.

Jim Godfrey guarded the third base line carefully in this battle against Princess Anne High School.

MOLDING THE FUTURE

High in character, the baseball team worked toward next season.

Despite a mediocre 6-10 record, our baseball team remained optimistic throughout the year as they looked toward next season. Inexperience loomed as the only factor keeping them from excellence. Losing most of his key players from the 1981 district championship squad to graduation, coach Norbie Wilson found himself searching for talent to fill the void. As the season progressed quite a few players emerged as team stars.

Joe Moss, who led the team in batting with a .411 average and three home runs, Bruce Betz, Andy Smith, and Kevin

Keeffe, who led the team in RBI's, gave the offense the spark it needed all season long. Betz, who played left field, and Moss, the third baseman, also led the team defensively. Kevin Shondel and Paul Hubbard, both underclassmen, shared the pitching duties and were two main reasons why **Coach Wilson** was optimistic about the future. "It won't surprise me if they lead the district in pitching next season," he predicted.

The team also has many other things to look forward to. They will have a starter back at every infield position to back up their strong pitching staff, as well as

an abundance of returnees to supply the offensive power. Losing only five players from last year's team to graduation, they might even find themselves on top in the Beach District race next season. **Coach Wilson** later reflected on the team's season by saying, "We stuck together as a team even though we were losing because we knew we had a bright future."

Using this year as a stepping stone, the baseball team is well on their way to a successful future. Under strong leadership, the young team should reach its potential. — M.D. □



The 1982 First Colonial Baseball Team: (l-r) Front: Coach Wilson, Perry Baldwin, Joe Moss, Bruce Betz, Andy Smith, Billy Boyce, Coach Blenher. Middle: Mgr. Ward Douglas, Tim Owens, Robbie Mitchell, Kevin Keeffe, Scott Evans, Joe

Schachle, Kevin Shondel, Will Godfrey, Mgr. Clay Richmond. Back: Mark Traub, Jim Godfrey, Kris Shondel, Jeff McTyre, Mike Meyer, Paul Hubbard, Pete Jones, Pat Fisher.

	F.C.	OPP.
Norfolk Catholic	9	7
Indian River	8	0
Green Run	1	10
Bayside	3	5
Kempsville	1	8
Cox	4	17
Oscar Smith	6	8
Great Bridge	7	4
Princess Anne	6	7
Kellam	1	4
Green Run	7	10
Bayside	18	3
Kempsville	10	4
Cox	0	2
Princess Anne	4	6
Kellam	9	6

"This past season was really an experience for the whole team. We were extremely young and not used to losing. With only five out of twenty players leaving, we should really put up a fight for the district title."

— Mark Traub

Kevin Shondel fired this pitch home to Billy Boyce in this 10-4 victory over the Kempsville Chiefs.

Billy Boyce prepared to catch this Paul Hubbard curve ball in this game with Princess Anne.



BREAKING THE MOLD

Patriot teams were successful in more ways than one.

Action, glamour, and glory are three words which adequately characterized F.C.'s 1982-83 sports season. The Patriots could boast championships in men's and women's soccer, women's tennis, football, and gymnastics. They also turned out some outstanding athletes such as Willie Kee, Will Forbes, Kevin Keefe, Ann Howard, Denise Love, and Barry Mitchell. So in essence the '82-'83 season was just like most of F.C.'s other sports seasons — a very successful one. Most people attributed this success to excellent coaching and the physical prowess of Patriot athletes, but what they failed to realize was that there was another chapter to F.C.'s success story, entitled sportsmanship. But as usual F.C. disproved the myth because both on and

tant. There was a myth, which infested peoples' minds that teams that won often, generally did not practice good sportsmanship. But as usual F.C. disproved the myth because both on and off the field, Patriot athletes consistently proved that they were good sportsmen. They had a reputation for playing hard and playing to win, but they never let the desire to win dominate their desire to play a good clean game. The players also made sure that the game was won or lost on the playing field, not off it, a philosophy which definitely characterized them as sportsmen. "We didn't play our games with words or on the streets, we played them on the field."

Kelly Mullaney, a junior member of the team, warmed up on the balance beam before a meet against Cox.

Willie Kee chased down the ball and attempted to score one of his many goals in this Patriot victory.

"Sportsmanship is that quality you learn by participating in activities — you learn to be gracious and humble with victory or defeat."

Michael Themides

The Patriot defensive line, led by All-State player Kevin Keefe, took on P.A. in an early season game.

said **Kevin Keefe**. F.C. didn't just practice sportsmanship with other teams though, they also practiced it within their own ranks. **Barbara Leopold** summed it up by saying, "Sportsmanship wasn't criticizing the performance of teammates, it was appreciating the effort."

In general Patriot athletes were a proud lot. They took pride in their own personal accomplishments as athletes, and they took pride in the school which they represented. It was their pride in themselves and in the school that drove them on to victory, and it was the same pride that made them good sportsmen. It is important to note that sportsmanship was not just synonymous with F.C.'s athletics program this year, or last year, or the year before that, but rather with F.C.'s athletics program throughout all her sixteen years of existence. There is a saying that there are only two sure things in life, death and taxes, so once again F.C. breaks the mold, because one can be sure that the tradition of winning and the tradition of sportsmanship will always reign supreme in the Patriot locker rooms. — T.W. □



Jackie Rogers, a junior, booted the ball downfield to a teammate during a game with Kellam.

Senior Ann Howard hit a forehand as she worked on her ground strokes during practice.



"Your senior year is the best one. Enjoy every minute of it!" This was the great advice given to the class of '83 from the class of '82. But what a joke this advice seemed to be at the beginning of the year. The pressures of improving SAT scores, maintaining adequate grades, and applying to colleges amounted to an unbearable headache for most. What was there to enjoy amongst the ever increasing pile of paper work? That "fantastic senior year" seemed to be a farce.

Ah, but as the last college boards were taken, the final admissions applications mailed, and the semester grades submitted, the momentum of the class of '83 began to build. School work had to take a back seat as seniors decided to let loose and enjoy their last eighteen weeks of high school. Like the previous graduating classes before them, the class of '83 put their hearts and energies into prom, graduation, and all the other senior rituals. While enjoying the good times which only the senior year can offer, many seniors also began anticipating not only the upcoming year, but also the future in a much wider perspective. Already one of the most unified classes ever at F.C., the unique class of '83 continued to set precedence and to look forward to tomorrow.

— J.G. □



Before the sun went down, Patty O'Neil and Par Larses had to finish painting part of the jukebox which was a major portion of the class of '83's float

During one of Mr. Turk's physics lectures, John Murrell tried to remember that the unit of frequency, the hertz, was S^{-1} or "one cycle per second"

Devoting all of her spare time, Michelle Desgain was a major factor in the success of the National Student Parent Mock Election. In preparing for the event Michelle hung red, white, and blue balloons in the library to create a patriotic atmosphere.



NOTHING CAN STOP US

NOW!

SENIORS



"If life is a bowl of cherries, then why am I in the pits?" This sentiment was felt among many seniors as the pressure to make earth shattering decisions at a moments notice was placed upon them. Chris Holland decided he had enough and hoped that he would remain undisturbed in his unique hiding place.

RISING WITH THE TIDE

Student's theme fits the beach scene.



Constructed of two semicircles, the senior class sign was completed and hung the last weekend in Aug. Although representing the entire senior class, the sign was actually designed and built by only a handful of dedicated seniors. The theme, "Rising with the Tides," expressed the goal of the class of '83: striving for continued success. Reflecting upon the theme, collaborating artist **William Perlman** said, "The senior sign, a symbol of the teamwork of the class of '83, represents the talents of individuals and the spirit of all."

The task of hanging the sign,

"We all argued and ... we found a huge hornets' nest!"

however had proved to be no easy job. The class of '83 has not been warned of the "trials and tribulations" of hanging the sign. Craig Burns stood by armed with a can of Raid as Barry Lyons fired rocks from the roof onto angered hornets. Commented **Barry Lyons** on this stinging subject, "We all argued as to who would go up there and tear down the old sign. When someone finally went up there and started banging on the sign, we found a huge hornet's nest!"

The sign was so successful the officers decided to use the same design for the senior t-shirts. This maneuver had a unifying effect on the class by relating the theme to all areas of interest and by starting the year on an original note! — L.C. & J.G. □

'83's class sign, "Rising with the Tide," reflected the goals of the Senior class, to strive and to succeed throughout life.

Lysle K. Ailstock
Barbara A. Allen
Lisa A. Allen
Valerie L. Amsler

Jeff A. Arias
Leanne N. Atkins
Stacey S. Aucoin
Lucye Bailey





Steve D. Baita
Todd A. Baker
Matt J. Balmforth
Jennifer E. Bankowski



John E. Bannon
Valerie D. Barco
Linda M. Barnard
Hazel A. Barnes



Sheri D. Barnett



Karen E. Barry



James S. Baumstark

Proudly displaying his Senior t-shirt, Jimmy Booterbaugh, class vice president, attempted to find his calculus notebooks in order to study for his 4th bell test.

'83 CAN'T BE DIVIDED

Class officers make '83 a prime year.



Craig Burns took inventory of the Patriot cups in order to pass them out to the seniors who were going to sell them.

"The senior class was stronger and was better organized. It was fun working with the administration and the seniors to produce the best class ever," explained **Craig Burns**. The elected officers were Jeff Cicatko, President; Jimmy Booterbough, Vice President; Craig Burns, Secretary; and Lyn Channon, Treasurer.

The attendance at most of the meetings was outstanding because the meetings were conducted so efficiently. An added attraction to each meeting was Jeff Cicatko's presentation of the "blooper of the week" award. This award went to the unlucky senior who had been involved in an unfortunate, humiliating, or embarrassing situation.

"The senior class was stronger ... and the best class ever."

Although class officers were worried about changing the color of the t-shirt to white, the sales boomed. "We were trying to raise money through major sales such as t-shirts that would make a lot of money at once instead of selling a lot of little products that don't make substantial sales by themselves," expressed **Lyn Channon**. The senior class officers did a great job of unifying the senior class and at the same time, making it fun. — J.T. □

Melinda M. Beam
Melissa I. Beam
Robin C. Bedard
Susan D. Bellamy



Jeff Benegar
Cynthia A. Berg
Elizabeth A. Bersing
Claudia E. Blackwell





Under the capable leadership of Jeff Cicatko, president, Lyn Channon, treasurer, Craig Burns, secretary, and Jimmy Booterbaugh, vice president, the senior class accomplished their goals.



Jessica A. Boggs
James H. Booterbaugh
Lydia G. Bowman
Scott K. Braun



Leslie D. Brewer
Thomas A. Brickman
Amber D. Bridgett
Stephanie R. Brodie



Rebecca A. Brogden
Kevin E. Brooks
Gina M. Brown
Amy W. Brownell

F.C.'S FOREIGN FRIENDS

Exchange students visited F.C. for an exchange of culture.

Kevin M. Bryant
Meredith L. Bryant



Katrina H. Burnett
R. Craig Burns



Joan Alston Burt
Will F. Bush



Corbin O. Butler
James G. Butler



Karen L. Buttry
Sharon L. Buttry



"Don't drink the water." That was what F.C.'s foreign exchange students were told when they came to America. The senior class was privileged to have three exchange students: Simon Keyzer, of Norg, Holland; Per Larses, of Falun,

"There are no clubs or after-school sports in Holland."

Sweden; and Grethe Sundsfjord, of Tromsø, Norway. As these students discovered, the water was not the only thing they had to adjust to at F.C. Rules like using corridor passes proved to be a nuisance to them. "Although there are several bad things about American schools, one nice thing is the great school spirit. There are no clubs or after-school sports in Holland," commented **Simon Keyzer.**

In Sweden and Norway, nine years of schooling was necessary for graduation. "But," **Per** explained, "if you don't continue your education, there's little chance you'll get a decent job." Does that sound familiar?

And what did our foreign friends have to say to Americans? "I would like to thank my friends and teachers and," continued Grethe, "I want them to know that they are a part of the most interesting experience I've had yet." — S.C. □

Although Grethe Sundsfjord was a college student in her native country, Norway, in America she was a high school senior.



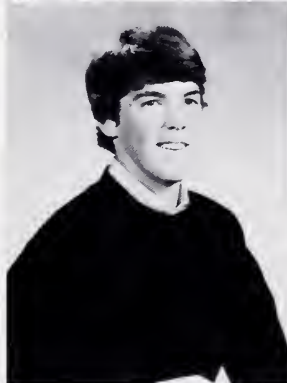


Playing volleyball in the gym,
Simon Keyzer looked like your basic
American.

Ward G. Byington Jr.
Mattie P. Campbell



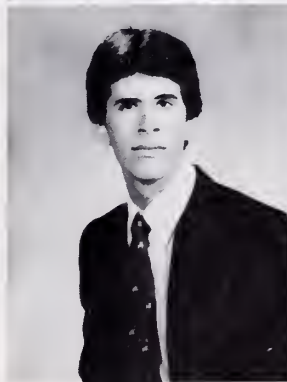
Sally B. Campbell
John A. Carila



John M. Caton
E. Carter Chaffin



Carolyn A. Channon
Kimberly L. Cherry



Dwight Christenbury III
Renee J. Church

Some locker partners
laboriously decorated their
"home-away-from-home" to
reflect their hobbies and per-
sonalities. Michelle Doran
crammed another book into
her crowded, but ornate,
locker.

Jeff M. Cicatko



Thomas F. Clements



Robert E. Cliff



Christine M. Colavito
Jonathan Colbus
Mary E. Collins
Kristine L. Combs



Sharon E. Connaughton
James A. Conrad
Rebecca Courington
Tanya D. Cowan



THE RIGHT COMBINATION

The trials and tribulations of having a locker partner.

Once upon a time, **Daphne Darden** did not have a locker partner. "Oh, life is fine," she thought. But that was in the beginning . . . she was soon to discover the rock-bottom, hum-drum of her situation. For, you see, all her friends had locker partners and soon enough it became evident to her that having a locker partner was really what life was all about. Next door, on the left, **Rich Nickerson** and **Sharon Lawlor**, were adding a third story to their condo and putting in a memo board. "Sharing a locker with Rich is great," said Sharon, "unless we get in a fight. Ever had your locker slammed just as you begin to slip your fingers around the rim? I have."

Daphne also recalled the two best friends, **Tammy Peterson** and **Renee Price**, who occupied the locker to the right. Daphne thought this was real neat — kind of like rooming with your best friend when you go to college. However,

Daphne changed her mind as reality set in. It was only after the notebooks and textbooks and egg salad sandwiches moved in that Tammy became painfully aware that Renee was not at all interested in the trivial rituals of house-keeping. "I look forward to coming to school each morning and having a ham biscuit or English book fall out on me," remarked Tammy. (By the way, Tammy and Renee have decided not to be collegiate roommates.)

Daphne never got around to putting

"Ever had your locker slammed just as you began to slip your fingers around the rim?"

out an ad in the 'Personals' for a locker partner. She explained, "I thought I wanted a locker partner — mainly for the comraderie . . . but I'm not so sure anymore . . ." — S.C. □



Alfred W. Craft
Analise B. Craig
Joseph Crain
Michael Criscitiello

Michael S. Cunningham
W. Todd Daniel
Daphne G. Darden
Tanya K. Darling

Timothy A. Davis
Mary F. Dearie
H. Timothy Dees
Sandra L. Deford

THE BUCK STOPS HERE

Seniors sell items in preparation for prom and graduation.



Miss McClure proudly displayed her senior class t-shirt: a present from her calculus class. Her class supported her enthusiasm as all twelve members wore their senior t's on Class Color Day.

Plastic Patriot cups were one of the Senior Class hot-test sale items. Tammy Peterson and Mike Green helped support the Senior class by selling the cups during school.



For months the seniors paraded through the halls of F.C. forcing plastic cups, T-shirts, and glass mugs on the helpless Sophomores and gullible Juniors. Those who sold these items even hounded their very own Senior classmates. This solicitation proved to be successful, and raised an astounding amount of money. Where did the money go? (Many a student pondered that question.) It went to support those Senior ceremonies, such as the float, Homecoming, prom, and graduation, along with several other

"They sure are great flower pots!"

small needs of a Senior class.

Each of the three items sold was in a class of itself. The T-shirts were the most eye-catching and also the most expensive of the items. It had the class symbol (The Rising Tide) on the back and "Class of '83" on the front pocket. "Although I was disappointed that they weren't blue, the T-shirts were pretty snazzy anyway," noted **Diane Nymberg**.

The glass mugs were also an interesting item. Seniors were able to sell more of these than T-shirts, mainly because the price was more reasonable and had more general appeal than the T-shirts. Those mugs had the saying "First Colonial Patriots" on them, and had a picture of a patriot.

For those students that were dead broke and could buy neither the shirt nor the glass mug, the plastic cup had to do. These thirty-two ounce cups cost only a dollar and "they sure are great flower pots!" joked **Jodi Sanderlin**.

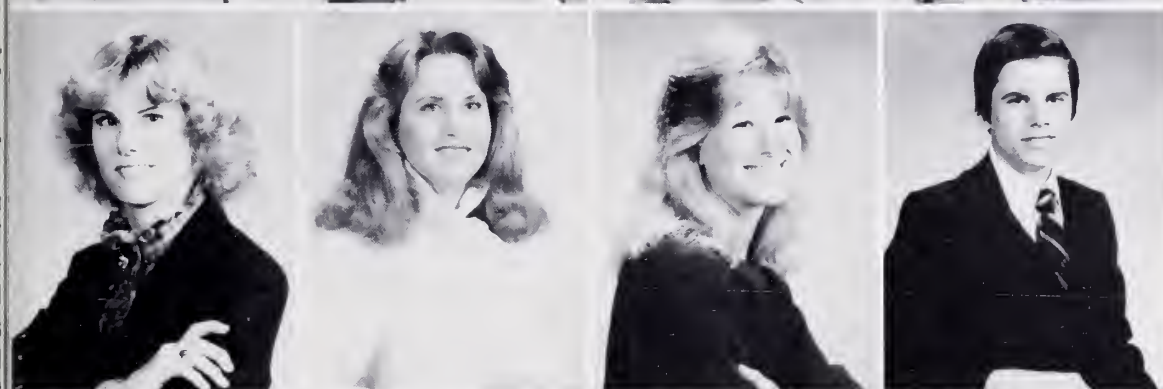
The items the Senior class sold interested many students. Remarked **Tanya Cowan**, a senior at First Colonial, "The items we sold were perhaps overpriced, but they were nice, and I don't mind paying extra to support my senior class." — S.C. □

Celia B. Dekker
Kathleen M. Demain
Michele H. Desgain
Suzanne M. Desgain





Lisa O. Diggs
Donna L. Dingwall
John F. Donahue
Barbara R. Donovan



Michelle A. Doran
Leslie M. Doub
Andrea M. Douglas
Ward C. Douglas



Christopher Drinko
James J. Duke
Adam A. Duncan
John J. Dworske



April A. Dyrek
Lynda F. Ellington
R. Greg Etheridge
Scott T. Evans



Cynthia E. Fall
Deana Farra
Wendell H. Fifield
Lisa O. Finn

ROCKIN' THROUGH THE AGES

Seniors display their patriotism during spirit week.

Walls vibrated from loud chanting of Seniors who marched through F.C.'s halls yelling "SENIORS!" as they passed the amazed Juniors and Sophomores. More amazing was the way they were dressed. Seniors were clad in outfits representing various music groups of their choice, including the Go-Go's, the Blues Brothers, Adam and the Ants, Elvis Costello, as well as love children from the Sixties in search of Woodstock.

The day was Dress-up Day, one of many events making up Spirit Week. To represent the feelings of Homecoming, the students agreed upon the theme, "America — Our Way." The Senior class took their own version of this theme and came up with "Rockin' Around the Clock," to express feelings on the growth of music through changing eras. "I thought our theme was a good idea. It was easy to dress up to because it included different time periods," ex-

pressed **Karen Kolb.**

The day started with a trip to Hardees before school where Seniors went to plan the invasion of F.C. When they got to school Seniors quickly showed

"It made people think more about school than about missing the summer!"

who dominated F.C. by overtaking the halls. Then Seniors congregated in the courtyard and overpowered the Juniors who tried to make a feeble attempt to out-do the Seniors. "It was great having the whole class marching through the halls. It felt good that we could do that in school with most teachers understanding when we came to class late," commented **Kim Martinette.** **Pam Fisher** concluded, "Spirit Week got everyone in the "school spirit. It made people think more about school than about missing the summer!" — P.M. □

Pamela Fisher
Tracy R. Fisher
Richard M. Fitz-Randolph
Lisa M. Foster



Edward C. Fox



David S. Freer



Getting into the mood of Spirit Week, three Seniors, Jerry Hickman, Lisa Kellar, and Richard Halenda, bought balloons in the school colors of blue and yellow



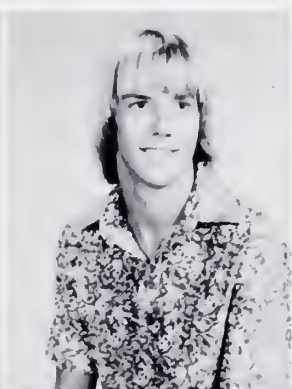
Per Larses showed that even exchange students had spirit. While he dressed as a punk rocker, he earned another point for the Senior class in the Homecoming Dress-Up Day competition.



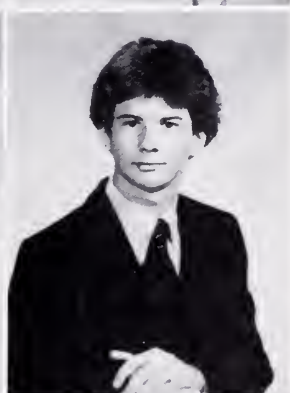
Eva K. Freyss
Curtis L. Frierman



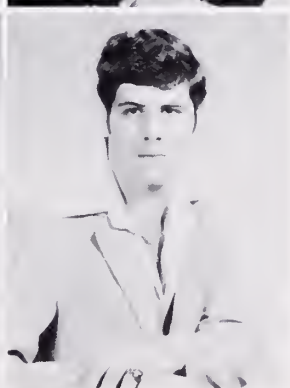
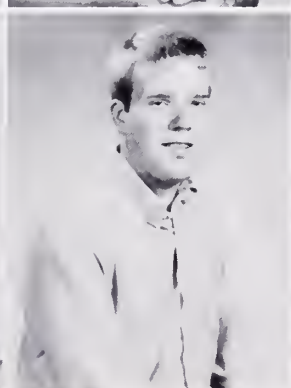
Thomas M. Galway
Mary Gatlin



Thomas W. Gernheuser
Johnny D. Ghee
Lisa A. Gibbons
R. Keith Gibson



Michael A. Glenn
Stephanie M. Godfrey
William B. Godfrey
Thomas C. Gomez



Mark D. Gordon
Ramoma D. Gordon
Thomas D. Gore
David G. Gourley

DEDICATED TO ROCK

Float displayed music of all ages.

James H. Gracia
C. Scott Gray



Douglas T. Gray
Patricia L. Gray



Michael S. Green
Arlene Gregory



Karen M. Gregowski
Tammy L. Griggs



Charles R. Guiter
Elliot C. Guncher



In a desperate attempt to ready the float for judging, some dedicated seniors added the final touch while Mike Glenn played supervisor.

Dozens of Seniors labored for several weeks planning and constructing their float. The theme of the float, "Rock Around the Clock," corresponded with the spirit week theme, "America Our Way." The float itself was picturesque with

"... my favorite float is the kind with coke and ice cream."

its colorful jukebox and rainbow of records.

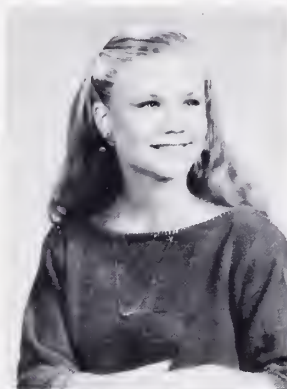
Although they did cut it close, finishing the float the same day it was needed for the Homecoming pep rally, everything was ready in time for the game. "It turned out all right, I guess," said **Jeff Smith**, "but then I'm allergic to tissue paper." **Amy Wheeler** added intelligently, "I think the float turned out great; however, my favorite float is the kind with coke and ice cream."

The Senior float won second place, losing only to the Junior's float, which, because of its depiction of Mickey Mouse, became affectionately known to the Seniors as the "Rat Mobile." Although disappointed with the runner-up award, most felt the project was worthwhile. **Theresa Whelan** summed it up well by saying, "We certainly spent a lot of time on the float, but we had a lot of fun doing it — and that was most important." — S.C. □

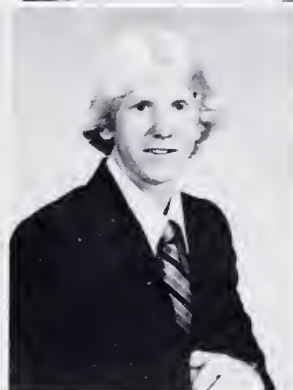




At last! The senior float was completed and displayed on the football field in preparation for the Homecoming game.



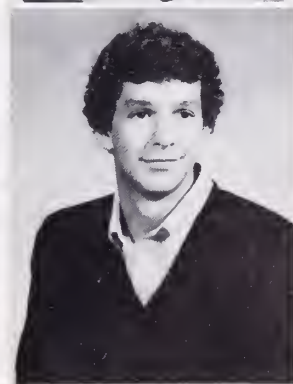
Julie B. Gustafson



Randall L. Hamer
Sandra D. Hamer
April M. Haney
Joseph W. Harp



Heidi Harrell



Michael E. Harrell

Cella Dekker attempted to put her artistic skills to use by painting a section of the colorful float at Suzy Hux's house.

"LIFE" ON WED. NITES

Seniors take a break in the week at Young Life meetings.

Wednesdays were always thought of as the halfway point; two days down and two more to go. Celebrating Wednesday was also a large group of students, for Wednesday was the meeting day for Young Life. During the first part of the week, various participants distributed flyers; and upon a closer glance, the maps and directions to the upcoming meeting could be detected. The popularity of this extra-curricular activity grew rapidly, as there were no requirements: no homework, no absentee policy, and no obligations. Young Life gave students the chance to break away from the books for a couple of hours and just

relax and let loose with friends. "I get to see all my friends socially instead of in the restricted atmosphere of school!" stated **Mark Hogendobler**.

Anyone who ever attended a Young Life meeting knew that the atmosphere present was anything but restricting! Beginning the evening, Tom Schulteiss and Cindy Land would lead the group, accompanied by student guitarists, in singing songs. The next event on the agenda was often the "Young Life Minutes." This activity proved to be the highlight of the night as the hams and future Hollywood stars from FC were able to get up in front of the group and strut their

"I get to see all my friends socially instead of in the restricted atmosphere of school!"

stuff. "The Young Life Minutes really make club a lot of fun! It's a part of Young Life devoted to fun and goofy antics," explained **Jill Sesler**.

Although Young Life had a deeper meaning for some, everyone who left a meeting went home with many happy memories. Before returning to home and the dreaded books, however, everyone headed to the nearest Burger King or McDonalds to Munch Out! — J.T. & J.G. □



Students from **Green Run** and First Colonial joined together for a body pass competition in the annual Young Life Olympics.

Shellie A. Harrell
Charlotte A. Hartz
John J. Hawa
Darden Hayden



Wesley Haynes
Timothy S. Heishman
Elizabeth L. Hendren
Elizabeth F. Henley





James P. Herring
Kimberly Hester
Lewarren G. Hickman Jr.
Tracey D. Hildebrand



Shelia L. Hinton
Jamie L. Hodge
Mark A. Hogendobler
Sharon R. Holden



Page C. Holladay
Christopher C. Holland
Keith Holland
Mercedes Hosang



Participating in the formation of the most original pyramid, Jill Sesler laughed at the comical actions of Cindy Land.



How did many students earn enough money to pull them through? Well, for Missy Beam, it was stacking shelves at the local Farm Fresh.

Ann W. Howard
Lisa V. Howard
Teresa L. Huey
Delphine L. Hughes



Paula J. Hughes
Daniel P. Humphreys
Suzanne R. Hux
T. Danae Jacobs



John E. James
Candice G. Jenks
Hugh J. Jennings III
Larry Johnson



PREPARING FOR THE FUTURE

Students face the endless expenses of becoming seniors.

Inflation had swamped our country and even the high school seniors of America had to get jobs to support their twelfth grade habits — such as milkshakes, pizza, and girlfriends. The malls and Burger Kings of the nation were infiltrated with money-hungry teenagers, and Virginia Beach was no exception. How did F.C.'s seniors feel about having to obtain jobs to keep themselves out of the red? "I just love my job. I've always strived for a career in the wonderful world of fast food," joked **Kim Martinette**, a hash-slinger at Hardee's. Other students, such as **Tim Davis**, appeared to be slightly more enthused than Kim. "Stocking shelves at Farm Fresh is not only stimulating and satisfying, but it is also my only gift to society." Hopefully, that was just a little bit of Davis humor.

Where did the money go that working seniors earned? No one knew. Some students saved their money for college (an extreme minority, of course). A much more popular aim was to save enough money to buy a car or to take an exotic trip during the summer of '83. The sad truth was, though, that for many, the money went as fast as it came. Like **Chris Atchison** commented,

"I've always strived for a career in the wonderful world of fast food."

"Where does my money go? That's a good question. If you figure out the answer, give me a call." — S.C. □



Eric Johnston
Lisa E. Jones
Michael Jones
Peter A. Jones



Rodney A. Jordan
David B. Joyner



Eva M. Juillerat
Catherine L. Kearney

Working at the Love Shop helped Alana Mason earn extra spending money for her freshman year at Virginia Tech.

William S. Kee III
Kevin P. Keefe
Lisa M. Kellar
David E. Kemether



Debbie K. Kemick
Debi R. Keyes
Simon Keyzer
Sung J. Kim



By looking through college catalogs, Diane Nymberg hoped to ease the pressure of deciding to which colleges to apply.



PRESSED FOR BEST

Pressures were/laid on as seniors prepared to enter the real world.

Pressures accompanied the final year in school. For some the pressures came from colleges, SATs and the striving to bring scores up as high as possible. Some took courses to help prepare for SATs. "The SAT course I took was only on English. Because my math scores were fine, the course seemed perfect," replied **Sally Campbell**. Next came pressures from filling out college applications, including writing papers, getting recommendations, and having transcripts sent; not to mention the agony of waiting until April first before the colleges replied. "I hate having to wait so long! But it will be a relief when I finally find out where I've been accepted," said **Karen Gregowski**.

For others, stress was felt when deciding where they were going to get a job, especially for those who had decided not to attend college. Commented **Dawn Rapp**, "I'm not going to col-

"But it will be a relief . . ."

lege. Right now I'm in Vo-Tech taking a class in cosmetology. Right now my main worry is completing the certain amount of performances, so I can complete the course and take the state board test to be legally licensened in cosmetology." — P.M. □



Hoping to bring up test scores, Jimmy Duke took another application for SAT's.

Andrew T. King
Christina King
Dnae Kinzie
Mary E. Kitzmiller



Kristen A. Kleintop
Gretchen A. Koball
Eric L. Koehn
Karen L. Kolb

FASHIONABLE FEMALES

Students gained experience and confidence through modeling.

Susan R. Komarnicki



Maura A. Krah



Wibecke Kristiansen
Thomas J. Lamb



Heather Land
Per J. Larses



Sharon M. Lawlor
Chi M. Lee



One may have seen students in ads on television, in magazines, in pamphlets, on posters, and in the newspaper. These were First Colonial's models. Most of them did commercials and fashion shows. Remarked **Cindy Fall**, "Doing a commercial isn't as easy as it looks; it involves going in for a sitting a day or two ahead of time to make sure the clothes look and fit correctly. Furthermore, a thirty second com-

"... the most fun is being able to act any way you want. You stop being you and start acting out what the clothes portray."

mmercial usually takes two to three hours to shoot, depending on the technical crew."

There was also a lot of time and work in taking classes. Some get help through modeling agencies. Commented **Les-**

lie Doub, "I took a three month class with Glamour. They get you your first job, but then it's up to you to build your reputation and sell yourself. Hopefully people looking for models will know who you are and will call the agency to ask for you by name."

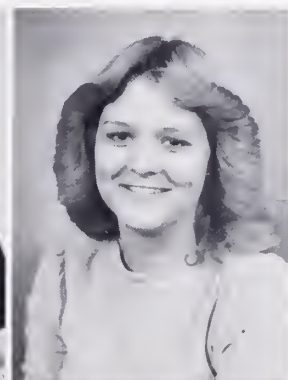
While modeling, the girls became confident with the exposure they got in front of the camera, and also learned how to apply makeup. However, on the lighter side, **Lisa Allen**, remarked, "The thing that's the most fun is being able to act any way you want. You stop being you and start acting out what the clothes portray." But most of F.C.'s models did not want to make modeling a career. Remarked **Mia Russell**, "Modeling is fun to do in my spare time. I like the extra money and the experience in front of the camera, but I would never pursue it professionally. The market caters to the younger look and after thirty it's hard to find a job." — P.M. □



Modeling in Pembroke, Lisa Allen displayed one of many outfits available in clothing stores throughout the mall



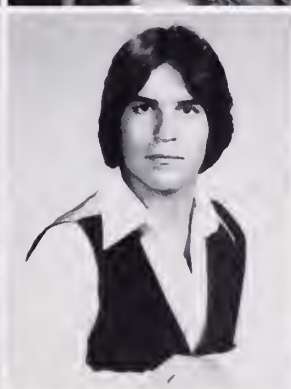
At Jungle Falls last summer, Cindy Fall and Mia Russell had fun fluming while modeling OP swimsuits for a commercial.



Diane L. Legg
Anne C. Leonard
Barbara Leopold
Lori L. Lewis



Michelle C. Linville
Jory B. Lipp
Deborah L. Loucks
Jill C. Lubbs



Sylvia L. Lynch
Barry C. Lyons
Michael Machupa
David E. Maddix

Susan L. Mancoll
 Rose L. Mangahas
 Lori L. Manger
 Cynthia P. Marois



Sydney E. Marthinson
 Doriann Martin
 James A. Martin
 Melinda C. Martin



Kimberly A. Martinette
 Alana L. Mason
 William T. Mathews
 Patricia S. McBride



The Old Cavalier was a part of the abundant history found throughout Virginia.



FRESCO FOR F.C.

Cafeteria wall displayed Virginia Beach's past and present.

When taking a bite out of your sandwich this year you might have wondered who was painting those murals on the cafeteria wall and why? Mrs. Chapman's sixth bell class researched the history of Virginia Beach so that they might have a better understanding of the city and paint an accurate picture. "I think the murals add a lot of life to the cafeteria. Also, when I was painting the seal I found out that the

black spikes around the border were marlins!" laughed **Craig Burns**. When asked why she chose to paint King

"I think the murals add a lot of life to the cafeteria."

Neptune, **Jennifer Meadows** replied, "King Neptune says a lot about Virginia Beach and the spirit of the city. He is represented in almost all of the

festivals we have. I'm just glad I had a chance to be in it because the murals will be there a long time and I can say I was a part of the team who painted them." The colors for the murals were picked with care as the different shades compliment the tile. Eventually the murals will wrap the room to reflect the growth of people and the constant change in the city of Virginia Beach. — P.M. □



Jennifer Meadows added the finishing touches to make King Neptune complete.

Using a ruler, Cindy Haywood marks where the next lines needed to be painted to finish the mural of the Old Cavalier Hotel.

Tonja S. McCormick
Dawn M. McDavitt
Kathy McHugh
Steven R. McLaughlin



Jennifer Meadows
Veronica P. Meekins
Caroline K. Melson
Lisa Melvin

LATER ALLIGATOR (?)

Was the prep an endangered species?

For the past two years, Preppy Alligator steadily lost his popularity, so much in fact that he rarely made an appearance. Instead, personal preferences dominated students' wardrobes revealing differing stylistic flairs.

Leaving the alligator apparel at Lynnhaven Mall, many made Ralph Lauren a rich man by buying polo shirts in every size, form, and color. "Not many people are dressing preppie, but they seem to have their own style and wear what they

want," commented **Andrea Douglas** and most agreed with her.

When walking down the halls, some

"... they seem to have their own style and wear what they want."

girls looked as if they had just stepped off the cover of **Vogue**. Also concerned with high fashion, most guys kept tabs

on the latest styles such as the ones shown in **Gentleman's Quarterly**.

Of course, there were the students who wore black shoes, pants, shirts, and coats with the essential accessories such as spiked dog collars and fingerless gloves. "I think all styles are in like: punk, preps, high fashion, and, of course, the surfer look," replied **Cindy Berg** summing up the sentiments of all F.C. students. — J.T. & B.M. □



David Klapp, Matt Balmforth,
Robert Nichols, Dawn Rapp, and
Karen Tanghetti demonstrated that
they felt the prep look of Lucye Bailey
and Tim Davis was out.

James A. Merklinger
Lisa A. Miller
Theresa L. Miller
Allison D. Mills





George A. Mills
 Angela L. Moore
 Maribeth Moore
 Nancy L. Moreau



P. Kristi Morrison
 John S. Munden
 Ann M. Murphy
 Brennan A. Murphy



John L. Murrell
 James L. Nash
 Margaret G. Needham
 Kevin D. Neibel



Alicia M. Nelson
 Jeff K. Neuhofer
 Robert T. Newberger
 Robert L. Nichols



Richard W. Nickerson
 Josef P. Noe
 Mary Beth Noonan
 Kimberly A. Norris

THE PRICE OF KNOWLEDGE

Seniors sought financial aid while college costs continued to rise.

Money, money, money! To go to college takes money. But before getting to college, it seemed as though money had to be continuously forked out. Ten dollars and fifty cents had to be paid for each SAT; however, this fee was not as expensive as other college board tests. Some unfortunate seniors were required to pay a thirty dollar "walk-in" fee or a seven dollar late charge. Explained **Russell Payne**, "Because I thought the football team might be playing for the State title, I couldn't send in my money and so I got stuck paying thirty dollars." Not only were there SAT's, but also Achievements for some, which cost sixteen dollars and seventy-five cents for one, two, or three tests. The list went on and on . . .

Transcripts and application fees also

had to be paid. The endless expenses continued including college tuition which had been going up and up in price. For example, William and Mary's tuition had risen about sixteen percent since last year. Like many other colleges, William and Mary compensated the federal government cuts by raising tuition fees.

There existed two major escape routes, however; financial aid and scholarships. Receiving financial aid depended mainly upon the parents' income. In order to win a scholarship, one had to excel in either sports or academics. Therefore, not all seniors were exempt from the expensive tuitions.

Still, there were other college needs: luggage, sheets, "hot-pots," typewriters,

and a million other necessities. "People would be surprised at how expensive college really is. I thought it was just tuition, but then there is also SAT's, advanced placement fees, and application fees to name a few." remarked **Celia Dekker**. With as

"People would be surprised at how expensive college really is."

much money that had been spent, most students expected a good education, in college. "Since it costs so much to get into college, I think the quality of the education will be excellent," concluded **Kim Williams**. — J.T., J.G., B.M. □

Kathy E. Norton
Diane M. Nymberg
Michael A. Obal
Thomas O'Donnell



Patrick C. Olds
Patricia O'Neill
Andrew T. Overcash
Kevin W. Paasch



David M. Pagano
Stephanie A. Pagano
Geoffry W. Pallister
Kimberly M. Parks

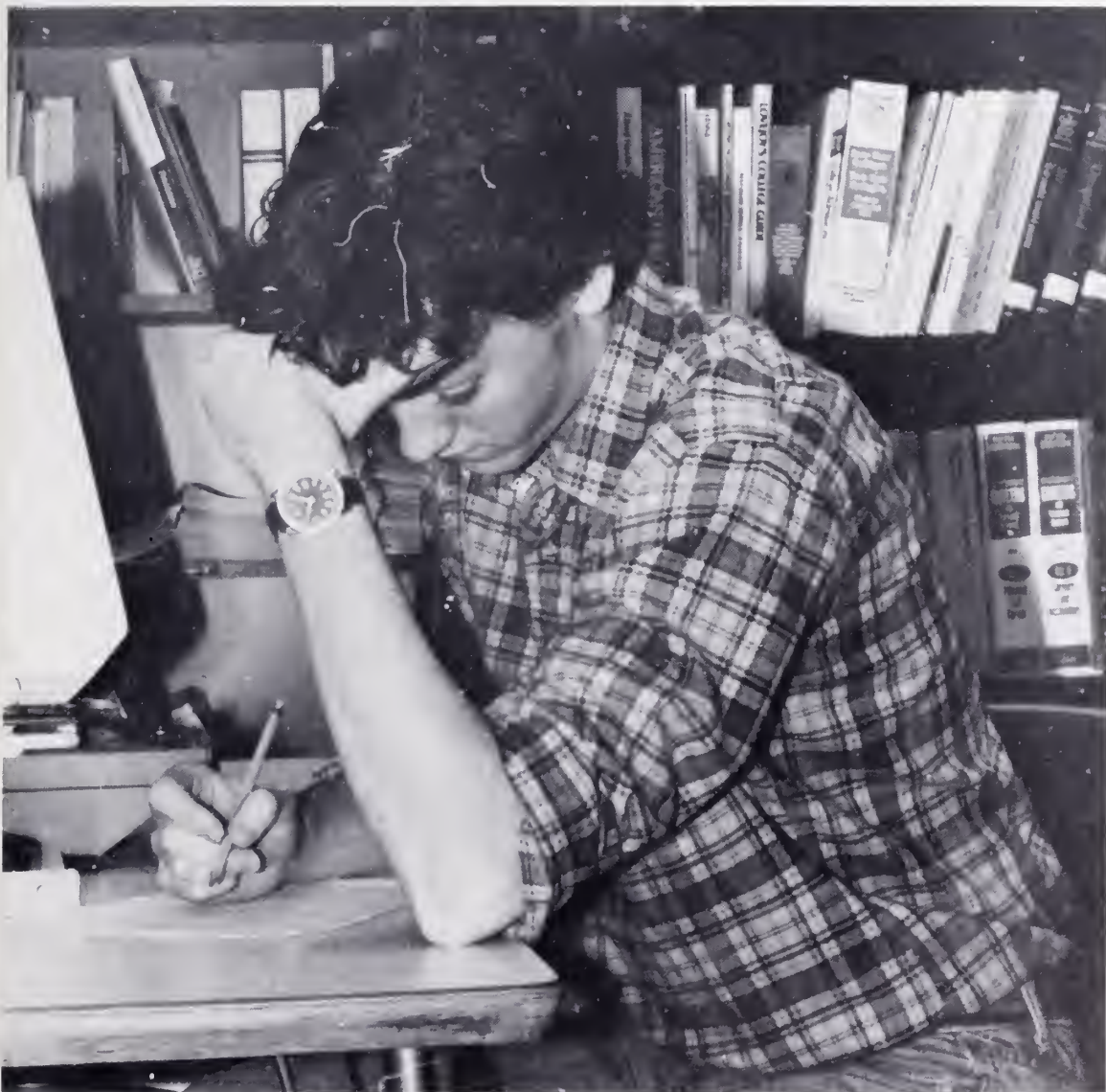




Kathleen L. Patton
William R. Payne
Vaughn C. Perez
William S. Perlman



Paige L. Peru
David M. Peterson
Tammy L. Peterson
Felicia M. Phillips



Lysle Allstock **diligently** worked on a scholarship application to lessen the burden of paying the costs of college.



Jimmy Booterbaugh, Jimmy Duke, Jim Rittenhouse, Alana Mason, and Mary Beth Noonan were the five students selected to represent F.C. at Boys' State and Girls' State for a week over the summer.

W. Brian Phillips
Edward W. Pierce
Wanda D. Pinner
Kurt Pluntke



Lisa G. Polhamus
Renee C. Price
Eugene Privott
Dawn L. Rapp



AN INSIDE LOOK

Girls' and Boys' State teach student's through experience.

During the summer, a few select students spent a week learning the functions of state government.

Girls' State was one program in which girls throughout Virginia came to Longwood College for a week. The girls learned about Virginia government by actually taking part in their own small city with a specific job for each girl. This way the girls had a first hand experience in the working of state government and also had guest speakers such as Governor Robb. Another experience was

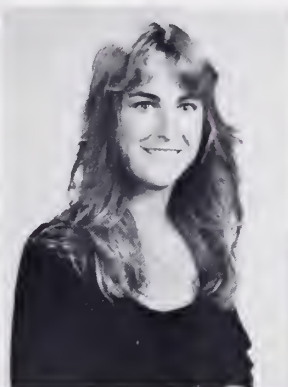
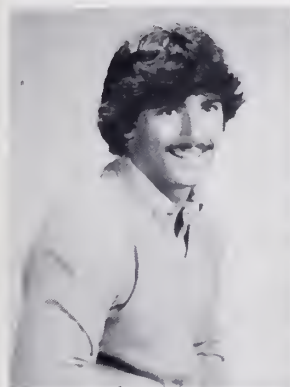
making new friends from all over Virginia. Commented **Mary Beth Noonan**, "Although it wasn't thrilling at first, I learned a lot about the state government — especially the election process — and met very distinguished speakers."

Like Girls' State, Boys' State took place over the summer for one week at Lynchburg College. They also had twelve model cities in which they all had a job. Each city had two political parties and held elections for six House Delegates and three Senators. Each city also

elected candidates from both parties for the offices of Attorney General, Lt. Governor and Governor. These candidates gave speeches before everyone voted. Commented **Jimmy Duke**,

"Although it wasn't thrilling at first, I learned a lot . . . "

"Before I went to Boys' State I wasn't that interested in politics. Now I'm more interested because I know what's going on." — P.M.□



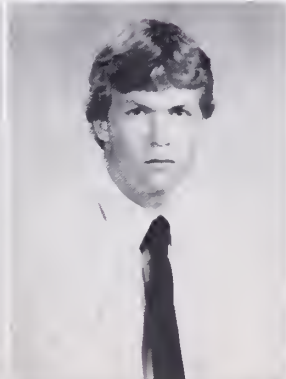
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Elizabeth A. Reed
Marchelle A. Rice
Cynthia L. Riesenberg



Lorri K. Riggs
James C. Rittenhouse Jr.
Stuart R. Rockwell
Joseph M. Rodgers



William A. Rosche
Christopher D. Ross
Tina M. Rossi
Jennifer C. Rundle



Mia M. Russell
Jodi P. Sanderlin
Paul G. Scanlan
Joseph K. Schachle

ASSIMULATED ATMOSPHERES

Seniors got a taste of college life through government programs.

Wit was my first experience in Washington D.C. and it was fantastic! It was also great meeting people from all over the United States with different backgrounds. Presidential Classroom was an unique experience!" expressed **John James**. Presi-

"I'll never forget those four short weeks!"

dential Classroom for Young Americans was a week-long program in which sixteen selected students from First Colonial went to Washington D.C. to learn about the U.S. government. Each week during the winter months, two out of the sixteen students went to get a bet-

ter understanding of government proceedings through seminars, distinguished speakers, on-site briefings and tours, and section meetings. Other learning experiences came from the students themselves, as each week the classroom consisted of students from abroad.

Unlike Presidential Classroom, Governor's School for the Gifted and Talented lasted an entire month during the summer. Representing FC were three carefully selected students: Mark Hogendobler, Julie Gustafson, and Anne Leonard. During the four weeks, students from all over Virginia stayed in college dorms and took college classes. No credit was given for these

classes however, as the purpose of Governor's School was to place students in an intellectually stimulating environment, free from the worries and pressures of grades. "Even though there was lots of work and no credit, its worth it; I learned a lot and still keep in touch with all of the friends I made," commented **Mark Hogendobler**.

After a month, the Governor's School students became a family as the relationships developed were indeed special. As **Anne Leonard** summed up her unique summer experience, "The best part of Governor's School was meeting the people. Everyone was so unique, and I'll never forget those four short weeks!" — P.M. & J.G. □

Sabrina M. Schell
David W. Schultz
Dawn M. Scotece
J. Barry Scott



Jill C. Sesler



Stephanie C. Shafer



Anne Leonard, Julie Gustafson, and Mark Hogendobler were chosen to represent F.C. at Governor's School for a month last summer

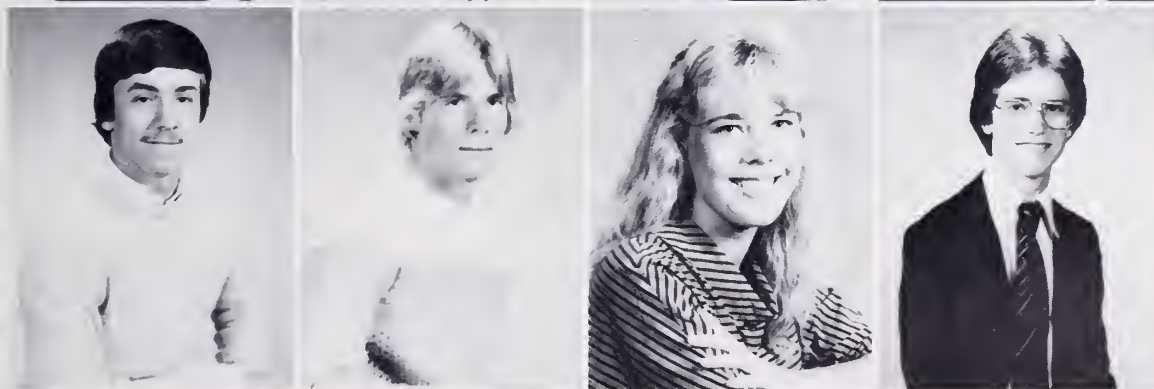




John James, Jim Merklinger, Lisa Howard, Karen Kolb, Tim Davis, Mary Beth Noonan, Christine Colavito, Leslie Doub, Jimmy Booterbaugh, Patty McBride, and Pete Jones attended Presidential Classroom last winter in Washington, D.C.



Harry F. Sharp III
William Shepard
Harvey H. Shiflet IV
Laurie A. Shipp



Kevin J. Shondel
Scott R. Silvernail
Debra A. Smeland
Andrew W. Smith



Carol A. Smith
Cherie N. Smith

After three days of intensive dissection in zoology class, Anne Leonard and Julie Gustafson gave "George," their fetal pig, a final good-bye kiss.

MAKING THE GRADE

Students still dared to slump, though colleges became stricter.

So it was the middle of one's senior year and he thought he could slack off — right? Wrong. According to new regulations from colleges and universities across the nation, if a senior slacked off in the senior year, that student could start looking for another college. Of course, his grades would have to drop drastically — nevertheless, the pressure was on to keep those senior grades high. What were students'

general reactions to this? "Well, I've been on a senior slump for the past few years, so it's no big deal," said **Nicole McQueeney**. Of course, other students reacted differently, like **Daniel Humphreys**, who, when asked how he felt about colleges stiffening up against the senior slump, asked jokingly, "Am I a senior?" These two students' reactions appeared to be typical of most seniors' reactions. Many, if they were even

aware of the new regulations, either shrugged it off, totally ignoring the fact,

"Well, I've been on a senior slump for the past few years, so it's no big deal."

or else gave it a moment's thought, like **Tammy Thompson**, when replied with an unsympathetic, "Too bad." So much for sentiment. — S.C.□

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Jeffrey S. Smith
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Katherine E. Smithson



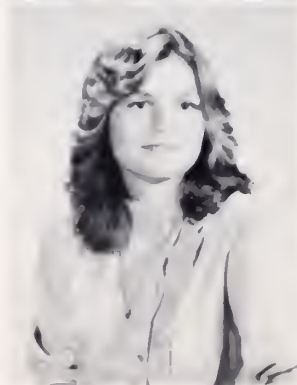
Frank P. Speeney
Vickie Spence
Felicia Spencer
James A. Spicuzza



R. Jill Stanley



O. Elizabeth Starbuck



Instead of doing homework in the library during study hall, Tanya Darling chooses to relax and read a magazine





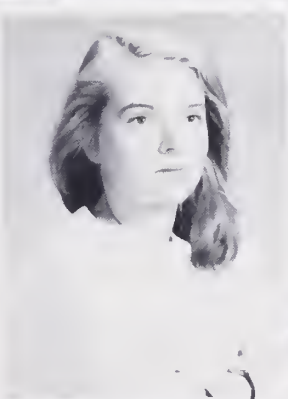
Many seniors, like Cassandra Bowling, were slowly brainwashed into believing that they had to spend one to two hours on their home videos before doing homework in order to make it through a single school day.



Robert A. Steinberg



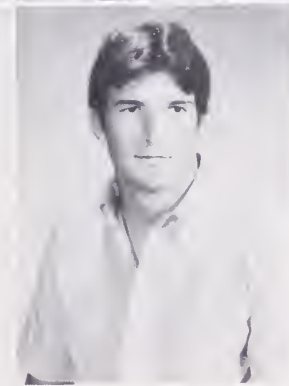
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Melissa S. Stillman
Grethe Sundsfjord
Robert C. Tanner II
Joan N. Themides



Leigh E. Thomas
Tammy J. Thompson
Andrew J. Timms
Robert L. Tugwell



Eric R. Turner
Sheryl A. Turner
Susie L. Turner
John C. Vance

NIGHT OF NIGHTS

Prom night is one never to be forgotten

One of the highlights and the most anticipated event of 1983 was senior prom. "I've been looking forward to senior prom because it brings back memories of the past few years, and it is something I will always cherish," said **Robin Bedard**. Because prom was one of the last times the seniors

"I'll probably remember ... the last time everyone was together."

would all be together, a lot of preparation went into it to make it an unforgettable night.

Trying to find a place to have prom was one of the prom committee's major objectives. They decided to hold prom at Lake Wright. Along with deciding where to have prom, the seniors' expectations were heightened by worrying about what gown to wear, and getting measured for tuxes.

After all the decisions were made about what gown to wear, which boutonniere to buy, and where to eat, the night began. The memories of that romantic little table in the restaurant, dancing all night, the parties afterwards, and the breakfast the next morning will stay with many seniors forever. "In later years I'll probably remember prom the most out of all things because it was the last time everyone was together," replied **Ann Howard**. — J.T. □



Carefully combing through the formal wear, Jill Lubbs set her hopes high for finding the perfect dress to wear to prom.

Lori A. Vaughn
Byron L. Veasy
Lisa Veasy
Joseph C. Verlinde



Jennifer L. Vester
David L. Waddington
Pamela F. Wagner
Mark A. Waldrop





Bradford M. Walker
Stephen M. Walker
Yolanda Walker
Leslie K. Ward



Sandra D. Ward
Reginald T. Warren
Theresa L. Weaver
David E. Weiner



Karl K. Werne



Amy E. Wheeler



Theresa M. Whelan

Before ordering a tux for prom, Tim Heishman was measured by the attendant at the Formal House to find the right size.

10-9-8-7-6...

Seniors counted down the final moment until graduation.

Graduation was a time when many seniors had mixed emotions. For twelve years they had slaved away in class after class; then it seemed as if suddenly graduation was there. Many students were excited about getting out of school. They'd been ready and waiting for graduation for a long time. When asked how it felt to be graduating, **Debbie Kemick** exclaimed, "Fantastic! It's almost over."

Caroline Nelson also voiced a similar opinion: "I can't wait to get out, but I'll miss the good times." But not all seniors were as excited since there was an element of fear that went along with graduating. "It's scary to be graduating because you don't know what's out in the world for you. I'm use to seeing my friends every day and knowing what's going to happen in school; but one thing I'm looking forward to is my Ten Year Reunion," explained **Rose Mangahas**. There were still other seniors who

were thinking about the possibility of losing friends. "My friends and I have been together for so long it seems strange

"Graduation means movin' on, movin' out, and movin' up."

to think that I may never see them again," said **Kim Wyles**.

One of the most meaningful things about graduation was that it showed students' achievements and maturity. Independence was finally reached for those seniors who graduated. Graduation meant a lot of things to different people. For some, it meant going on to college and continuing their education, while for others, it meant finding a job and making a career. **Matt Balmforth** summed up graduation well by saying, "Graduation means movin' on, movin' out, and movin' up." — J.T. □

Forrest L. White
Brent A. Whitehead
Sonya Whitfield
Jackie M. Williams



Kimberly A. Williams
Teresa Williams
Wayne A. Williams
Andrew A. Willman



John W. Wilson
Ann B. Winbauer
Jill Winfield
Kevin Wong





Pamela E. Woodhouse
Lisa A. Wrenn
Lori A. Wrenn
Denise Z. Wright



Kimberly A. Wyles



Karen L. Yeagley



Mojdeh Zarandazchi

Preparing for graduation involves a lot of time, Rodney Jordan tries to get a head start by trying on a graduation gown.

ON OUR OWN

After twelve long years, freedom was finally obtained.

Did you enjoy getting up at six in the morning, going to school half-dead (after that party you attended the night before), and walking into your first bell class just to discover that you had a massive research paper due (that counted half your grade) which you totally forgot about? No? Well, that was the way a basic senior's day started by the middle of the year. Now in comparison with other years of school, the senior year was no harder than any other school year. "The work

"It means getting out of school and trying new things."

might be a little harder, but I'm taking fewer classes and leaving school early, so all in all, the senior year is easier than others," expressed **John Murrell**. And yet few years could compare with the amazing highs and lows of the senior year. Need some examples? How about applying for colleges — that's a definite downer. Often a student had to write an essay for the colleges to which he applied. And what did these colleges ask you to write about? Something in the vicinity of "describe your most stimulating intellectual experience?" thought the basic senior, "What if I don't have one? What if my most stimulating intellectual experience is obscene? Do I write about that?" The amount of emotional turmoil involved in filling out the forms was amazing. Shocking, even. If these students were twenty years older, they probably could not even hack it.

However, being accepted to college — now that's an upper. What were a student's first thoughts after he'd been accepted to college? "I'll be sad to leave my family, but I'm looking forward to college," says **Sung Kim**. Yes, most students did give a moment's thought to poor old Mom and Dad, but then most students began to put their priorities straight — "I've got to get a refrigerator into that room somehow. I'll also be needing some sort of stereo . . ."

Some of the classes themselves were downers, too. For example, the basic student had taken English since grade



one. If he doesn't know it by now, why doesn't the school board just face the fact that he's never going to know it?

Now PE — that's an upper. In what other class could you socialize openly with your friends and not be forced to stay after school writing, "I will not make passes at Johnny during class." It also gave students time to take out their aggravation toward school, grades, and life on inanimate objects. Many a student had successfully hit home runs when picturing the baseball to be his social studies teacher's head.

Yes, the senior year overflowed with highs and lows. But what did it mean to the basic senior? "It means getting out of school and trying new things," said **Barbara Leopold**. How more bluntly could you put it? — S.C. □

Mike Cunningham, Debi Keyes, Kim Hoidon, Steve Walker, and Leslie Ward used their thirty minute lunch period to take a break from school work and to relax.

Officers, Jeff Cicalko, Lyn Channon, and Craig Burns posed around the eighty-third street sign.





Concentrating deeply on staying within the lines, Pam Wagner attempted to paint the box which became the famous jukebox on the musical float.

Andrea Douglas and Cindy Berg, seniors at F.C., enthusiastically watched a Patriot football game. By the look on their faces, it is obvious that the Patriots were creaming their opponents again.

Outside of the restrictions of school, Chuck Guiter was able to relax and think about more than just academics.

SUPERLATIVES 1983

1. **Best Dressed** — Rocky Martirano and Heather Land
Most Punk — Craig Burns and Susan Alexander (not pictured)
Preppiest — Lucye Bailey and Jim Rittenhouse
2. **Most Likely To Succeed** — Mia Russell and Jimmy Booterbaugh
3. **Biggest Flirt** — Ted Fox and Lydia Bowman
Class Clown — Chris Drinko and Leigh Thomas (not pictured)
Shyest — Jimmy Duke and Christine Colavito
4. **Hardest Working** — Alana Mason and William Perlman
Most Dependable — Lyn Channon and Dwight Christenbury
5. **Best Looking** — Cindy Fall and Eddie Redfeam
Friendliest — Sydney Marthinson and Willie Kee (not pictured)
Most Talented — Tanya Darling and Karl Weme
6. **Most Athletic** — Barbara Leopold and Will Forbes (not pictured)
Most Spirited — Jeff Cicatko and Carter Chaffin
7. **Best All-Around** — Ann Howard and Kevin Keffe
8. **Most Studious** — Debi Keyes and Lysle Alistock
Most Intelligent — Mary Beth Noonan and Mark Hogendobler



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After eleven years of the same routine, Juniors could finally see the light at the end of the tunnel. "Only one more year!" could be heard throughout F.C. as Juniors could only dream of that long awaited "Senior year" This special group of Juniors, however, made the most of 1983 and gave the Seniors a real run for their money.

During Homecoming, the Juniors challenged the Seniors to a "screaming contest" in the courtyard on Friday morning and won the float contest Friday night. These dedicated Juniors also sold candy, pom-pom shakers, popcorn, and spirit ribbons in order to raise money for the Junior Prom in May. Also, at Friday night football games, "'84 has more!" resounded throughout the stands expressing the sentiments of all Juniors as they persisted in arousing the crowd in order to "get rowdy" and urge the team to victory.

With the unity and dedication of the Junior class, many goals were accomplished and many special moments were shared which will always be a part of First Colonial and the class of 1984. — B.M. □



As junior David Holland escaped to the clinic to spend a few minutes away from the hassles of history, Algebra II/Trig., and Latin, senior Carter Chaffin reassured David that summer was only months away.

During lunch, juniors Caron Upton and Katy Parsons, took a break from the routine of school in order to relax with friends and make plans for the weekend.

After preparing fresh biscuits and coffee in Independent Living class, Dan Crawford was on his way to the main office in order to deliver the "goodies."



CLOSER EVERY YEAR! JUNIORS



Mrs. Warner certainly had her hands full with this enthusiastic bunch of juniors. Were parabolas really that exciting or were the juniors simply revealing their ever-present school spirit? More than likely, this vivacious group of juniors were exhibiting the First Colonial Patriot spirit!

Kristl James reached to shake her partner's hand for an ice-breaker at the second Junior class meeting. The ice breakers were an attempt by the officers to promote a unified class.

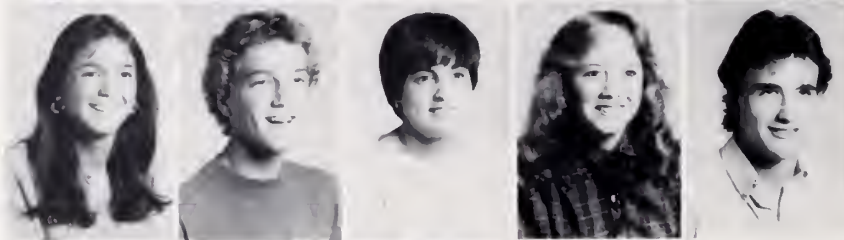
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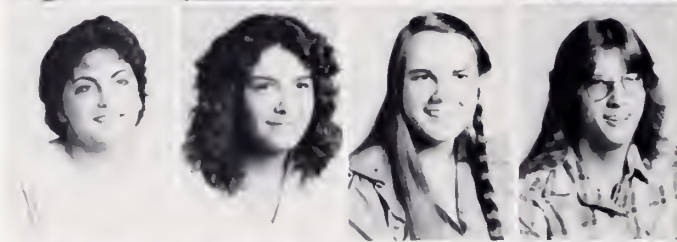
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James Baker



Rhonda Baker
Thea Baker
Michelle Ball
Sheri Barnett



Tom Barritt
Isabel Barrow
Mike Barto
Chris Baumstark



Janet Baxter
Danny Beale
Valusia Beasley
Gretchen Bedenbaugh



Jill Beninato
Dawn Bennett
Suzanne Bennett
Lisa Berry



Junior officers: President — Jimmie Ring,
Vice President — Tiffany Bevan, Secretary —
Valusia Beasley, Treasurer — Lisa Berry.



Spirit Shakers

Junior officers motivate classmates.

According to Junior Class President **Jimmie Ring**, "The class of '84 could very well be the most spirited class to ever graduate from First Colonial." The Juniors put a strong emphasis on spirit and unity this year and their efforts really paid off. **Valusia Beasley**, Secretary, was optimistic that the Juniors would reach their goal of total class participation. "So far we've had a lot of support at the meetings and I'm confident that we'll have a successful Homecoming and Ring Dance."

Members of the Junior class worked on several committees such as fund raising, spirit, and prom, which were formed to help the officers run the class more efficiently. **Staci Schleck**, chairman of the publicity committee, commented,

"We've been putting up banners at the football games, in the halls, and in the cafeteria. We work really hard to show the other classes how much we support the teams." The prom committee had a lot of success also, claimed the chairman, **Sharon Munford**. "I'm very excited about the Junior Prom; the committee has come up with really unique and creative ideas." All the Junior committees were headed by Vice President Tiffany Bevan.

The Junior class was off to a good start financially, with over \$312 in the account. **Lisa Berry**, Treasurer, hoped that the juniors would have "a very organized and successful year in making money and have enough left over for a fun senior year." — M.M. □



Tiffany Bevan
Sue Bibeau
John Bischoff
Sheri Bishop
Bill Bissell
Tom Blackwell
Ken Blankenship
Beth Blevins

Lisa Bogdan
Chris Bond
Traci Bonk
Marci Born
Ann Boyd
Deren Breast
Kevin Brooks
Loretta Brothers

Robin Brown
Tyrone Brown
Beth Bryant
Dalton Bryant
Darryl Bryant
Bonnie Bush
Crystal Butts
Kristin Byng

Wanda Cake
Don Calder
Caroline Callis
Alisha Cannaday
Angela Cannoy
Richard Carbone
Alex Carila
Marcia Carter

Chris Carver
Sophia Causby
Page Chaplain
Sandy Chatfield
Greg Church
Bobby Cilento
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While David Demchuk intently watched the play on the football field, John Bischof was only concerned with the arms closing tighter around his neck.

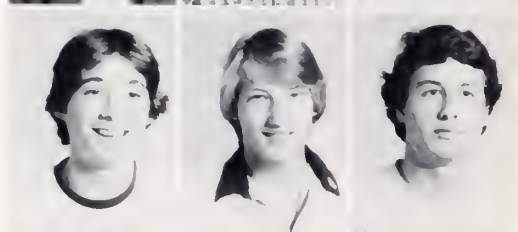
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David Counts



Sally Cox
Anne Crabbs
Danny Crawford



Debbie Crawford
Jamie Crawford
Karen Crawford
Bonnie Creekmore
Trina Creekmore
Ann Maire
Danna Cullen
Todd Cupp



Karen Dalrymple
John Daniels
Yvonne Daniels
James Davenport
Brantley Davis
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One Life To Live

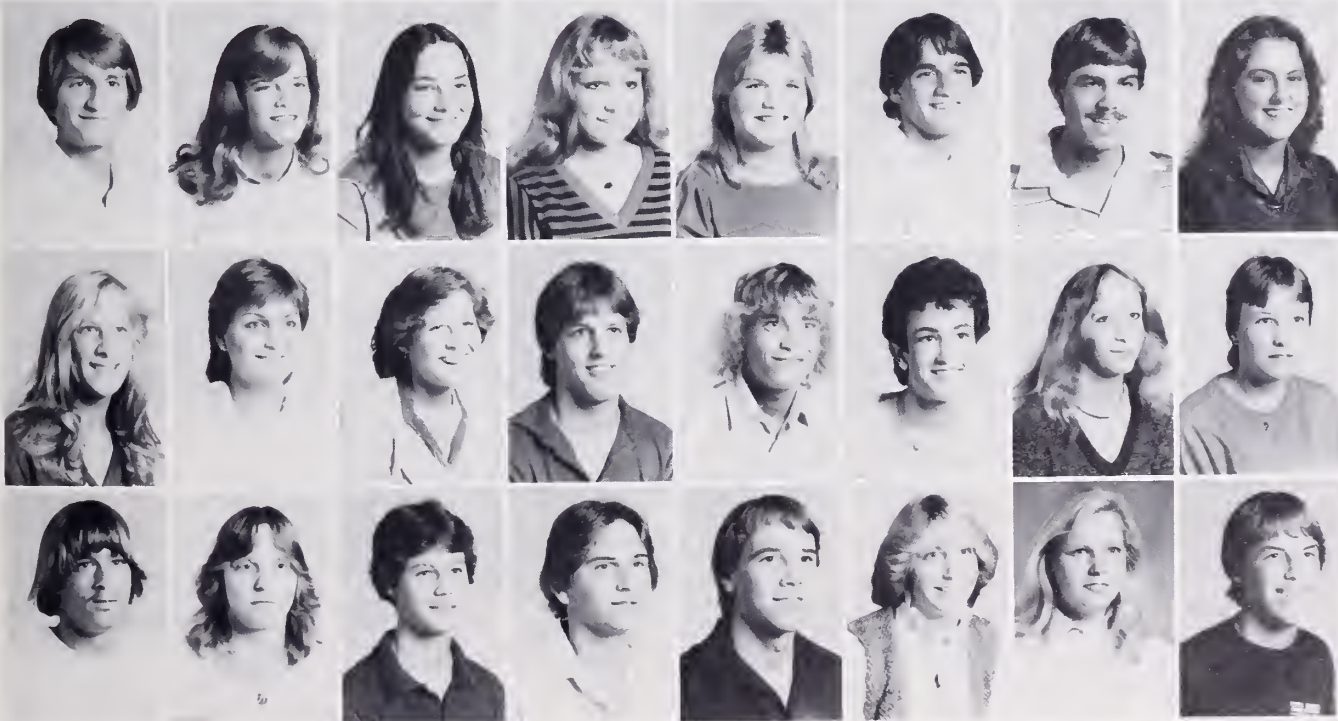
Juniors expressed their concerns for the future.

Rapidly approaching the day when they would step out into the real world, many Juniors were starting to take a serious look at what the future held. **Mark Traub** was not very optimistic; "I'm definitely worried about what the situation will be like when I get out into the real world, with the unstable economy and threat of war."

The thought of a nuclear war in the not-so-distant future was very disturbing, yet it was something that today's students may have to face. Student opinions of the subject varied. **Matt Vester** remarked, "I feel that there should be no nuclear arms whatsoever." Valusia Beasley felt differently; "I don't like the idea of further development of nuclear weapons, but we must be realistic and stay prepared. We have to face the fact that there will eventually be a war and nuclear weapons could determine the winner." There were also those students who preferred not to think of the possibility of a nuclear war, and who focused their attention on positive subjects. Expressing a feeling common among today's youth, **Karen Moran** said, "I can't predict what will happen in the future, but I'll deal with it as it comes." Glancing at the newspaper, one couldn't help but feel "young and restless." — M.M. □



In a desperate attempt to raise his grade in chemistry, Neal Young earned extra points by constructing a bulletin board.



David Demchuk
Lisa Dickson
Tracy Diederich
Jeanne Dixon
Joanne Dixon
Dave Donahue
Pete Dondero
Michelle Doss

Pam Dotter
Lee Doyle
Robin Drucker
Keith DuBois
Jamie Duff
Stephanie Duke
Dana Dunaway
Alice Dunn

Lee Duval
Susan Eddingfield
Andy Elter
David Englund
Bubba Ennis
Joelle Ennis
Raegan Everts
Ricky Ewing

Walt Disney's World At FC

Homecoming activities aroused spirited Juniors.

Tom Faris
Robin Farr
John Fay
West Fentress
Pat Fisher



Patrick Flanagan
Laura Forbes
Melanie Foster
Tiffany Foster
Robin Francis



Jill Fredrickson
Peter Freeman
Michelle Frost
Marvill Gaddy
Kevin Garneau



Doug Garrou
Kelly Garrou
Eva Geremia
Michelle Gillan
Elaine Ginn



Jim Godfrey
Bobby Gomez
Demetri Gordon
Julianne Graham
Laura Graham
Kjell Granlund
Michael Jackson Gray
Karen Green



Kelli Green
Dana Gresham
Diane Griffin
Mark Griffith
Tracy Grissinger
Cindy Gunter
Bill Hadley
Amy Hagerman



Every year First Colonial students look forward to Spirit Week, a fantastic, chaotic week when students get the rare opportunity to dress up in crazy costumes and show their spirit at the same time. Having chosen Walt Disney as their theme, the Juniors' spirit was obvious as Peter Pans, Cinderellas, and members of the Mickey Mouse Club filled the halls. The Juniors wore the costumes not only for fun, but also to earn points to their class. Junior **Chris Parker** commented, "Although we did not win the overall competition, Spirit Week was a big success for the Juniors; there was a lot of participation."

Before class, the rowdy crowd of Walt Disney characters met in the courtyard, chanting, "EIGHTY-FOUR . . . EIGHTY-FOUR . . ." The rally continued until they met up with an equally rowdy musical mob that challenged them with shouts of "SENIORS . . . SENIORS . . ." This type of friendly rivalry between the Juniors and Seniors lasted throughout the week.

Tom Faris remarked, "The Juniors had the competitive edge during Spirit Week; we were really trying to make up for the dull sophomore year we had last year." — M.M. □

Susan Peebles, costumed as Peter Pan, sat inconspicuously in English class.

Chris Parker had to stop telling his Pinocchio lies so his nose wouldn't grow.



Samol Hak
Bill Haley
Michelle Hall
Christine Halonski

Neil Hamilton
Suzette Hammer
Joanne Hancock
Patti Hardock

Elizabeth Harrell
Marvin Harrell
Kimberly Harris
Shelly Harris

Chris Harvey
Millie Hemingway
Patrick Dee Hendersen
Tony Henderson

Ron Henley
Chris Herzer

Tracey Hicks
Elizabeth Himmelwright

Lisa Hinton
Laurie Hodkins

Diane Hoffoss
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You Can't Keep 'Em Home

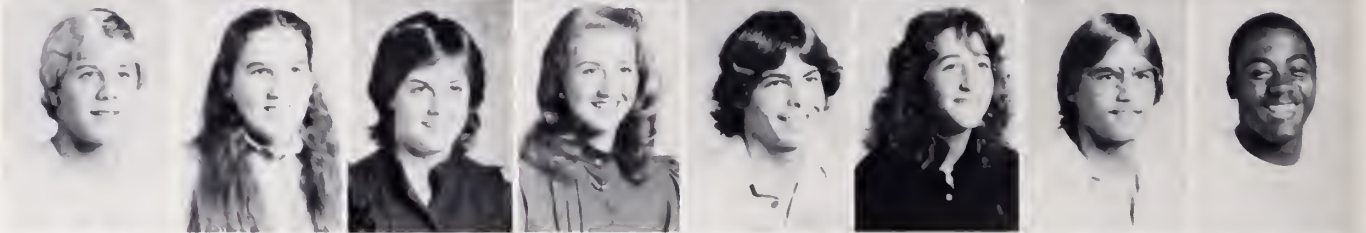
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Paul Hubbard
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Bruce Hunter
Robyn Hunter
Wendy Hunter
Walter Hutchins



Mark Inderlied
Christine Ives
Jeanene Jacobs
Kristi James
Todd Jeffrey
Tracy Jenkins
Alex Johns
Elbert C. Johnson III



Margerite Johnson
William Johnson
Angela Jones
Shirley Jones
Derek Joyner
Chris Karvala
Chris Kay
Tim Kay



Alex Kee
Tammy Keeling
Anne Keith
Roxanne Keith
Tammy Keeling
Libby Kiehl
Joe Kiley
Greg Kimble



Mia King
John Kitzmann
Lora Klima
Michele Konken
Laura Krebs
Cassandra Land
Denise R. Lassiter
Danny LaVoun



Debbie Lawson
Elizabeth Leafé
Andre Leavell
Keith Legum
Mark Lenesi
Sandra Lennox
Rose Leonard
Carl Leuschner



Debby Lewis
Patricia Lewis
Tom Lewis
Tara Lies
Betsy Loomis
Karen Lugenbeel
Chris Lugo
Brad Lynch



For Breakfast Anymore

Juniors developed new breakfast habits.

For many Juniors, the early morning routine of eating a good breakfast has been outdated. Many students opted for a breakfast on the run, as with **Libby Kiehl**, who commented, "As I'm walking out the door, my mom hands me my Carnation Instant Breakfast."

There were many explanations for this unhealthy habit. Waking up at 6:00 a.m. was a seemingly impossible task, and in order to snatch a few more precious moments of sleep before going to school, breakfast time was eliminated. Waking up and arriving at school on time were more important than eating

breakfast, so many Juniors traveled to school with grumbling stomachs. By third bell, their malnourished minds had drifted off to sleep with dreams of CoCo Puffs or Crunch Berries.

Driving Juniors have since discovered a solution to skipping breakfast. For them, Hardee's was a convenient place to ease those early morning hunger pangs. Mentioned **Fieke Vandermeijden**, "I like eating breakfast there because I see people I know and it wakes me up for school." Others find the quiet morning atmosphere a perfect place for last minute studying or

socializing.

There was hope, however, for the incorrigible breakfast skipper. Though unable to get a nourishing start at home, some Juniors sought refuge from starvation in the cafeteria. There, students could gobble down early morning munchies like doughnuts or honeybuns. But some inevitably kept to their "no breakfast" routine, and their grumbling stomachs would not keep it a secret. One thing was certain; though they could not be kept home for breakfast, they wouldn't be kept hungry either! — C.B. □



Christine Halonski, Caprice Royal, and Jennifer Davis made a quick stop for breakfast at Hardee's before going to school.

Chris Carver found that sharing her M & M's kept them from melting in her hand.



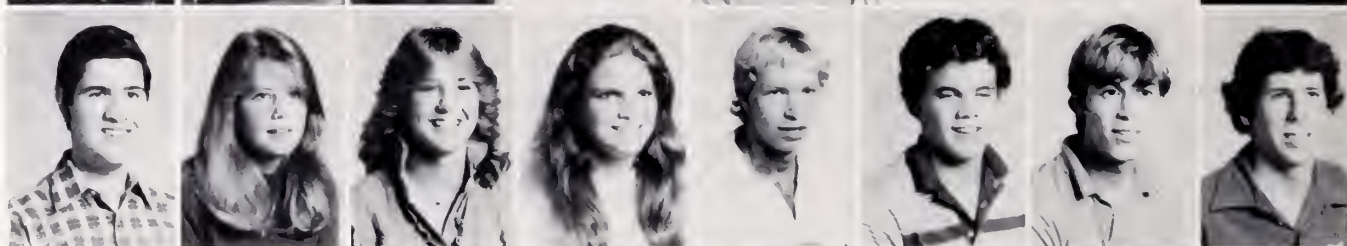
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 Pamela Marrow
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 Steve Matt
 Todd Mayo
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Larry T. McCoy III
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 Missy McGruder
 Mitch McIlwain
 Eddie McLaughlin
 Jeff McLure
 John McNaught



Jeff McTyre
 Jay Meadows
 Tammy Meekins
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 Vicki Merjos
 Harry Meyer
 Mike Meyer
 Charlotte Michaels



George Michaels
 David Michelson
 Debra Milano
 Maribeth Millis
 Robbie Minson
 Cindy Mitchell
 Rob Mitchell
 Bryan Moore



Karen Moran
 Debbie Morgan
 Elizabeth Morgan
 Robert Morris



Mike Morrison
 Jim Mountjoy
 Stacy Moyer
 Mike Mulhall



Kelly Mullaney



Analysis is over for the day and there was no quiz! Mike Meyer showed his excitement by his quick slide down the banister.

Killer Courses Assault FC

Victims were ready and waiting.

Deciding what classes to take is often a hard decision as the choice determines the difficulty of the year. Some students choose to take only those courses which are absolutely necessary for graduation; but others opt to work harder and get all they can out of their high school education. Among the more challenging of Juniors' choices are Advanced Placement History, superior English, math analysis, and chemistry. The Juniors in these classes felt that they were benefiting from the challenges offered in these courses. **Stacy Moyer** commented, "You get out of school what you put into it. you have to study harder for the more difficult subjects, but it's worth it because you learn more."

Preparation for college was another asset of these "killer courses." The difficulty of the subjects exposed a student to what his college courses will be like. Even though their grades may not be all A's, the Juniors in these classes felt that they were doing what was best for them. Said **David Demchuk**, "I feel too much emphasis has been placed on class ratings and grade standings. You have to take the courses that test your skills to discover your potential; and the discovery of your potential is the first step toward success in later life." According to the latest college bulletin, the "student who has pursued a rigorous academic schedule" is a hot item. — M.M. □



CeCe Shepherd and Russel Payne, a senior, were a good team in chemistry. While CeCe poured the solution, Russel kept a close watch for explosions.



Brian Mulick
Sharon Munford
Mike Murray
Cyndi Neelley
Alicia Nelson



Elizabeth Norton
Skip Nowell
Pierre Olds
Ruth Olds
Richard Olivieri
Lars Ostrander
Timothy Owens
Michelle Palmer



Chris Parker
Shelly Parks
Katy Parsons
Melanie Patterson
Susan Peebles
Caren Perkinson
Judy Perigo
Cindy Perry



Charlie Peterson
Chuck Petran
Danny Petretto
Amos Phillips
Pamela Phillips
Courtney Phimister
Rusty Poe
Tag Poindexter

Career Decisions

Students considered their futures.

Career decisions were already looming over the heads of many Juniors. There is a lot of pressure on students nowadays to pick a career early in life so as to prepare for it in high school and college. Rising unemployment rates and the recession have caused many to be very particular about their career choices. **David Price** commented, "I think it (the economy) will get worse." Though competition is a major factor in the job market, David was not very worried about the outlook in the field of anesthesiology.

Today's Juniors wanted to enter expanding fields that held a lot of opportunities, and engineering was one of the top fields. "There will always be a demand for engineers and the unemployment rate will never affect engineering," said **John Bischof**. John added, "I'll probably be an electrical engineer, so I'm taking all the math and science I can." So he, like many other students, was planning ahead by taking prepa-

ratory courses for the field in which he was interested.

Brad Stoops was another Junior who was preparing now for a career. The science and architectural courses offered here at First Colonial will give him a firm base for Biochemical Engineering. Brad agreed that electrical and chemical engineering are among the expanding fields, but also added, "The job market in the future is going to be pretty bleak."

Technology that was dreamed about years ago has now become reality. The same holds true for all generations. Advancements in technology are rapidly changing modern science. For example, computers have almost taken over every aspect of society. **Jeanene Jacobs** said, "Computer growth has eliminated the jobs of the uneducated." To keep up with the progress of technology, students are being pushed in the direction of making early career decisions. — L.C. □



Tracy Pope
Catherine F. Porter
Kira Porter
Martha Potter
Richard Powell
David Price
Joanna Proferes
Eric Reuter



Bo Rhinehardt
Cindy Richards
Clay Richmond
Tracy Riess
Lisa Riggs
Jim Ring
John Robertson
Darlene Robinson



Cecil Rodgers
Jacque Rodgers
Katy Rogers
Steve Ross
Stephanie Rowe
Caprice Royal
Teresa Ryan
Catherine Sadler



Steve Samaha
Linda Sanderlin
Lance Sanderson
Mike Savage
Mary Beth Scarbrow
Styron Schafer
Corinne Schemtob
Staci Schleck





Libby Klehl made a quick stop at her locker before heading on to history.

Sharon Munford waited patiently as Todd Jeffrey performed his gentlemanly duty of opening the door for her.



Bridget Schmied
Lori Scott
Mark Scott
Robbie Scott
Donald Scutchings
Pretlow Seaton
Carol Shampine
Annette Shavender

Erin Shea
LeAnn Sheaffer
CeCe Shepherd
Gail Shephard
Susan Sherril
Lorri Shierling
Kris Shondel
Christine Shukis

Jimmy Siegel
Matt Sierra
Mark Silverman
David Simeone
Leslie Simeone
Wayne Simons
Bud Smith
Leigh Smith

Marty Smith
Scott Smithson
Dawn Soulerin
Lisa Sorensen
Dina Spanoulis
Blythe Standing
Debbie Steadman
Renee Steele

It's A Bouncing Baby School

In retrospect of F.C.'s first year.

"Did you know that First Colonial was built in 1966, the year in which most of the Juniors were born?" pointed out **Dina Spanoulis**.

At least eight of the teachers at First Colonial today were here back in 1966. They are the veterans that made the move from Virginia Beach High School to the new high school, First Colonial.

Miss Shell, head of the Business Department, remembered that there was a big controversy in naming the school. "So many wanted it to stay Virginia Beach High. They were also contemplating Oceana High School, but because the school was on First Colonial Road, they gave it that name."

The one thing that teachers most remember about the opening days was that the building really was not complete. **Mr. Rountree** remembered that the framework of the ceilings were still showing. Though the workmen mingled in with the students, their tools did not, so people had to walk over and around two-by-fours and tiles. Some of the halls were not even finished so students had to take the "long way" around to class. The rooms were still being painted so for the first few months classes met in different rooms from week to week.

Classrooms lacked a lot more than

just paint. **Miss Shell** also remembered that there were no typewriters or special desks for the typewriters during those first few weeks. She said, "I ran off copies of the keyboard and the students sat on the floor learning the location of the keys." Dr. James Mounie, the first principal, said this was a good time to see what kind of teachers First Colonial had.

The English Department was under-supplied, too, at first. There were no textbooks for the students, only a chalkboard from which they constantly copied notes. **Mrs. Rodgers** commented, "It was quite a challenge; but I think challenges are good because they bring out the best in good people."

Remembering the opening days, **Mr. Fishel**, head of the P.E. Department, said, "What a mess we had on our hands. The building wasn't totally finished — especially in the gym area." Because there were no doors in this section for the first few weeks, the P.E. teachers did not have to carry their bundle of keys. Nothing could be locked up so all of the new equipment was stored in the metal shop area. From the back wall of the school to the far fence was just a "plowed field," so all P.E. classes were held inside. **Mr. Fishel** added, "I think the students adjusted very well to the opening."

Another major problem during the first two months was one that the students faced every day. Because there were no lockers, they lugged stacks of books from class to class all day. **Mrs. Ezell**, then in eighth grade, now a U.S. History teacher here at First Colonial, said, "I must have looked like a dorky eighth grader standing in the lunch line with my plastic bookbag." At the end of October, lockers were finally installed and students were able to unburden their weak arms.

The "new kid on the block," First Colonial, has come a long way since those days. Because of the "plowed field," athletic practices were held at Virginia Beach Junior High and the home field for football was at Princess Anne High School. And that year, the "team to beat" was Princess Anne.

In the 1966-1967 annual, the first First Colonial yearbook, the **Heritage** staff wrote, "Just as the patriots of colonial times had to begin again, so we must, relying on old traditions, yet striving to make the ensuing years more productive. By working toward a common goal valued by each one, we shall be able to attain highest maturity. For, as they succeeded, so we shall." — L.C. □

Matt Stehlik
Mary Stephenson
Thomas Stephenson
Jeff Stidham
Brad Stoops
Chris Stubbs
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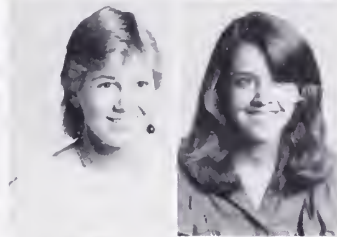
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Stephanie Tsantes
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Open mouthed and screaming,
these representatives of the class of
'84 proved their banner, "Juniors
Impress", to be true.



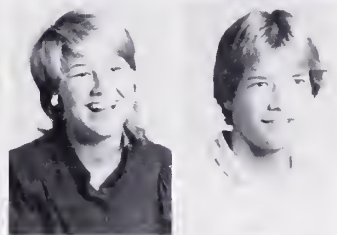
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Donald Walsh
Mamie Ware
Ann Watkins
Tom Webster



Martina Wenzel
Jeff Wermers
John West
Sylvia Whitaker
Eric Whitehurst
Paula White
Colleen Whiteway
Paul Whitley



Nancy Wich
Jim Williams
Mike Williams
Darren L. Wilson
Debbie Wilson
Karen Wilson
Kowana Wilson
Kim Wise



Susie Wolfram
Todd Wooten
Paul Aaron Worrells
Lisa Wright
Neal Young
Kristi Zeller
Chris Ziegler
Chris Zimmerman



With the theme of this book being, "We're on our way," it was only fitting that the sophomores should break away from the generalized "underclass" section, as the class of '85 proved to be deserving of recognition. Famous for their morning announcements which concluded by demanding the sophomore class to **"Be there!"** the members of the class of '85 organized themselves and proved to the entire school that they were a force to be reckoned with, especially in the Homecoming Competition.

As a sophomore, there are always many unfamiliar situations and problems with which to deal. Adjusting to a new school, adapting to the higher educational level, and accepting much more responsibility are all a part of becoming a sophomore. In addition, a sophomore is expected to be an active and contributing member of the student body. Quite a load, however, the class of '85 accepted the challenge and took the first step in the right direction by beginning to organize and unify their class. If the sophomores continue their hard work and spirit, the next two years hold much promise. — J.G. □



As well as having to adjust to a new school routine, the sophomore cheerleaders, Kelly Knight, Beth Hulan, Page Chaffin, and Laura Rowan, also had to carry the responsibility of arousing class spirit.

Learning to accept the academic challenges posed in high school, Kevin Kirwin, Tyler Anthony, and Jay Everett collaborated in order to successfully analyze a difficult English assignment.

One of the drawbacks of being absent was make-up work. Brian Warren, however, didn't let a major biology make-up test bother him; instead, he planned what he was going to do AFTER the test!



RISE IN THE

RANKS!

SOPHOMORES



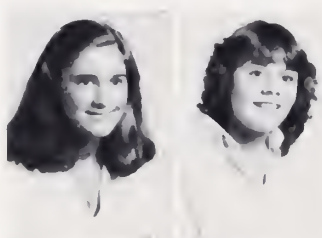
Minimum Competency Tests?!? Many sophomores cringed at the mere mention of the tests. But because of the many requirements for graduation Chip Hankley, Antigone Potamianinos, Michele Foer, and the rest of the class of 1985 diligently worked toward a passing score.

Loyal Patriot Holly Tace cheered enthusiastically at the football game.

Sophomores turned out eager and excited for the Homecoming Pep Rally. Their school spirit shone as they chanted, "Be Alive With '85" and sang the fight song as loud as possible.



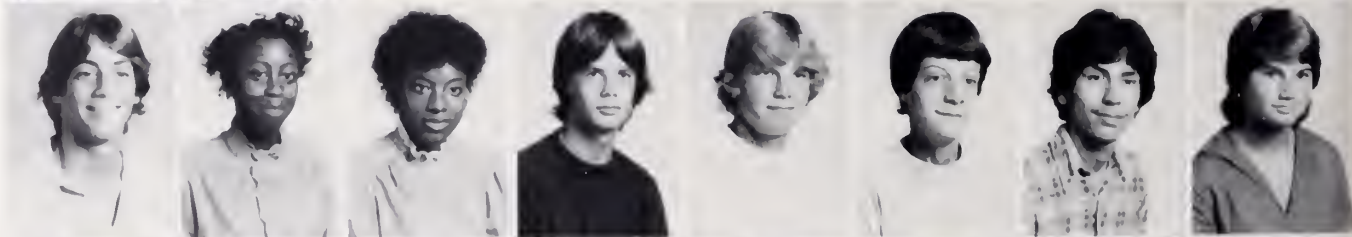
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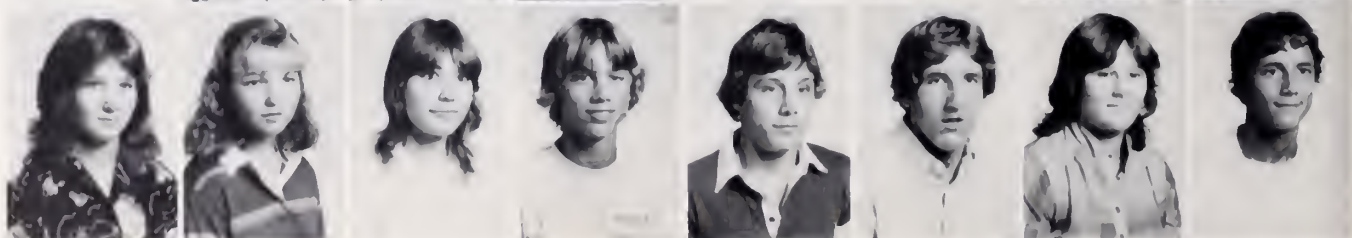
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Mia Arrigoni
Christine Attlesey
Kevin Atwood
Scott Atwood
Brett Augsburg
Karen Auxier
Kurt Baese



TODAY'S RIPPLES

Sophomores had plans to make waves.

In the past, the sophomore class had experienced difficulty instilling class enthusiasm. Whenever class meetings were announced, only the officers appeared. This year, however, the sophomores intended to reverse this tradition and did so with amazing success. Commented **Becky Miller**, Vice President, "The Sophomore class has shown a lot more spirit than we expected by showing up for the meetings."

The Sophomores devised original fund raising techniques to support their class. Abandoning the unsuccessful car wash idea, the Sophomores proposed raking yards or having dog-washes. Since people were attending the meetings, creative thoughts were possible.

Perhaps one of their most interesting ideas was their sly attempt to play upon the sympathy of upperclassmen. During Spirit Week, everyone was aware that the sophomore float had been egged by some upperclassmen. But as **Page Chaffin**, Treasurer, expressed, "We worked together to make the float the best we could." At the Homecoming pep rally, a sign reading, "We're only Sophomores," trailed behind the float.

If they keep up the energy and enthusiasm they show now, the two remaining years for the class of 1985 will certainly be great ones. After all, the classes of '83 and '84 have set quite an example. — C.B. □



Sophomore officers (clockwise):
President — Tommy McKee, Vice President — Becky Miller, Secretary — Laura Rowan, Treasurer — Page Chaffin



Barry Baker
Brian Baker
Margaret Ball
Paul Ballard
Tom Barton
Tony Barton
Greg Battaglia
Julie Baylor

Cathy Bealle
Mike Bear
Anneliese Beasley
E'Lise Bender
Mike Bennett
Bob Berg
Bill Bersing
Patricia Berube

Chris Best
Beth Blankenship
Lorraine Bonk
Pete Bowling
Kelly Branham
Frank Brantly
Inga Bridgett
Elizabeth Brogden

TO CLUB OR NOT TO CLUB

Sophomores decided whether or not to join the bandwagon.

Becoming a sophomore and experiencing that anxiously awaited entry into high school meant making decisions. When a freshman became a sophomore Patriot, he had the opportunity to join any of the wide variety of clubs available at First Colonial. Students with literary or artistic talents may have become members of the "Town Crier" staff or worked on "Impressions," First Colonial's literary art magazine. Those who wanted to im-

prove their school could have joined the SCA or attended the Sophomore class meetings. **Diane Whitehurst** planned to do just that, "to get involved and become a part of my school." **Michelle Foer** decided to join the Spanish club for several reasons. "The practice I get by speaking Spanish at the meetings helps me in class." She also looked forward to the occasional club trips to Spanish restaurants and the trip to Spain this summer. **Bobby Kuhn** opted to join

both the Drama and the German clubs. "The Drama club gives me experience as an actor and they both give me something to do after school." The dominant feeling among sophomores was that clubs were a definite asset to school life. Being a part of a club served to give a student a sense of belonging, which was imperative at a new school. Not only did activities provide stability, but colleges also looked favorably upon them. — M.M. □

Keith Brooks
Lee Brooks
Debra Brown
Amy Buffkin
Tammie Bunce
Barbara Bunch
Bob Bunting
Cindy Burgess



Sean Burke
John Burnette
Angie Burns
Julie Burrows
Leala Butcher
Clay Butler
Mark Butsavage
Greg Butz



Jeff Byrd
Diane Calabrese
Geoff Campbell
Chris Canelias



Linda Canelias
Ray Cannady
Rich Camahan
Karmen Carney



Thomas Carter
Ann Casarez
John Cauthen
Page Chaffin



Tony Barton, a member of ROTC, enjoyed the spoils of an afternoon activity held by the organization — a party.





Angle Moore's hug made Cleve Smith's day. Cleve also found out that Angie's lap was a lot more comfortable than a chair.



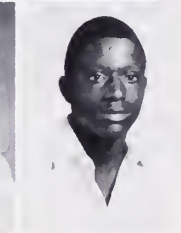
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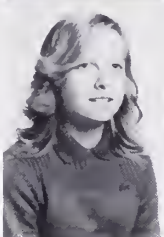
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Tonia Comick



Janet Cory
Bryan Costenbader
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Cathy Cox
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Kara Cozzens
Scott Craig



Cindy Crain
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Lori Creekmore
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Leanne Crocker



Vince Curcusu
Liz Curtiss
Raymond Cyr
Heather Dadson
Stephanie Dammert
Cornell Darden
David Darden
Page Darden

FC's RISING STARS

Sophomores shone during Homecoming.

Elections for sophomore class officers in mid-September decided who would lead the sophomore class through their first year at First Colonial. The first major event they faced was Homecoming. A car wash planned in October to raise money was not passed early enough by the ICC, so the class had to rely on the allotted money from the SCA to cover their Homecoming expenses. **Tommy McKee**, Sophomore Class President, assured the class the week before Homecoming that, "once everyone stops panicking, we'll be okay."

Panic was natural for these, or any, first-year Patriots. "We know what we're going to do for the float, but we don't

know exactly how to do it," admitted **Antigone Potamianos**. There were so many little things to do in building a float, but they were what made the float possible. It was often taken for granted that Sophomores will know what to do and how to go about doing it. **Laura Rowan** affirmed, "It's been traumatic finding out how to actually build a float. Finally, the day before we started to construct it, we found out how to stuff the chicken wire." The flatbed for the float caused many worries too. Getting one was the first problem and where to keep it was the second. With some helpful advice from upperclassmen, the sophomores realized that they did not need the flatbed at the building site.

The class of '85 was very quick to get their committee sign-up sheets announced and posted in the office. Though a few names such as King Kong, Erik Estrada, and King Tut showed up on the list, the rest of the names proved to be spirited sophomores ready to work. **Valerie Leneski**, co-chairman of the Homecoming/spirit committee, said, "At first we were worried because no one was showing up at the meetings or showing enthusiasm towards building the float."

Homecoming was a time, as proved by this class of sophomores, when everyone had to pull together or else nothing would have worked. — L.C. □

David Keeler's Invisible Man costume for Sophomore Dress up day depleted V.B. General's bandage supply.

Debra Brown, a much prettier version of Phyllis Diller, pauses to adjust her wig in preparation for the oncoming spirit day.



Becky Miller and fellow Sophomores, whose Homecoming theme was, "Reeling Through Time," took special care in lifting the drama faces onto their float.

REEL THROUGH TIME



Alex Darling
Chris Davidson
Barry Davis
Chris Davis
Derek Davis
Sharon Dearie
Sandy Decker
Teresa Dees

Lorry Delong
Dana DeMasters
Tracy Demitris
Larry Demmerle
Catherine Dewson
Kim Dickerson
Michelle Dolieslager
David Doran

Stuart Douglas
Stephanie Downs
Thomas Draughn
Kenneth Drevitt
Jackie Drozd
Chris Duffner
Kathie Durbin
Jake Dworske

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Paula Etherdige

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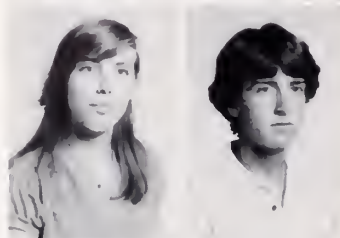
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Jeff Gearhart
Jessica Gibson

Skip Pavlik's leg injury wasn't going to hold him back from playing football nor was the rezoning for the new school. He said his family was going to move to FC territory if Kings Grant was rezoned to the new school.

Kevin Gibson
Shawn Gibson



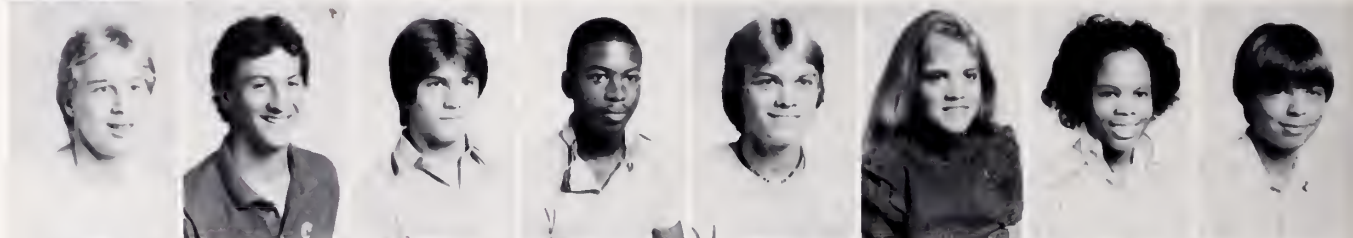
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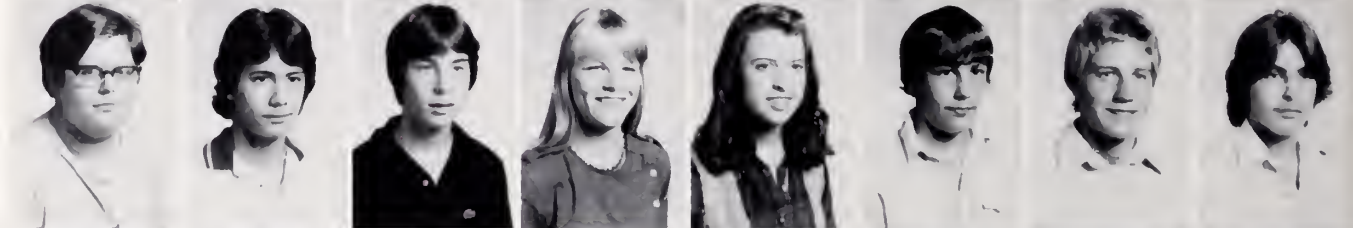
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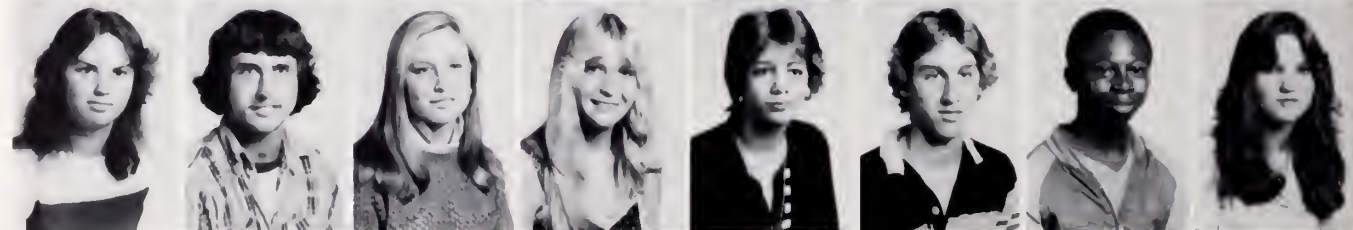
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Mike Hendren
Andy Herd
Steve Herrick



Shari Hesner
Larry Hewitt
Dana Higginbotham
Pam Hillquist
Denise Hiltbran
Mark Hiltbran
Simon Hodnett
Robin Hoefle



Chris Hoff
Bill Holbert
Dee Holloway
Jannan Holmes
Kelly Holmes
Kim Holton
Woody Holtzclaw
Michelle Homan



NEW KID IN TOWN

Sophomores weigh the pros and cons.

The prospect of a new high school being built in Virginia Beach has become a reality. It is located on Great Neck Road and will take the place of old Cox High School which will eventually be changed to a junior high. These changes parallel changes that took place in 1966. Seventeen years ago, students from Virginia Beach High School, along with portions of two other high schools, were rerouted to the new beach school, First Colonial. Virginia Beach then became a junior high.

As with back then, there were many mixed emotions to the change. Some looked forward to attending such a high

school because everything would be so new. **Dennis Reed** acknowledged, "I can see that it would be harder for a Junior or a Senior to change, but not for me. The band would probably be larger and maybe even better because there will be more students interested in being in the new band."

Sophomores had a special concern in this matter because, unlike the Juniors, they will not have the senior privileges next year of staying at First Colonial. Many students had a negative outlook on the change. **Beth Wilson** confessed, "I wouldn't want to go to the new school. I've been looking forward to First

Colonial since my brother was here about four years ago, and I've been cheering for the football team since I was a little kid." It would be hard for many Patriot fans to put their loyalty in a new school. **Scott Jones**, who has gotten involved in First Colonial's Cross Country team, flatly stated, "I want to stay at F.C. I don't know why, I just like it here."

Here lay the sentiments of a majority of the Patriot students. Only the future (and the rezoning) will tell what students will finish their remaining high school years at the new school. — L.C. □



Bridgette Homchik
Ruthann Hope
Yvezze Horbin
Vickie Houestadt
Lisa Howard
Karen Hudgins
Beth Hulan
Amos Hunt

Bobby Hunter
Mary Hunter
Mike Hux
Nathan James
Debbie Jardines
David Johnson
Jacqueline Johnson
Jason Johnson



Jerrell Johnson
Lisa Johnson
Rick Johnson

Anne Jones
Jerilyn Jones
Mary Jones

Walkman radios increased in popularity this year. Durret Morton found his radio to be a source of entertainment at the football games.

ON THE ROAD AGAIN...ALMOST

Sophomores learned the art of driving.

Paula Jones
Scott Jones
Susan Jones
Chris Jordon
Kathy Kalweit



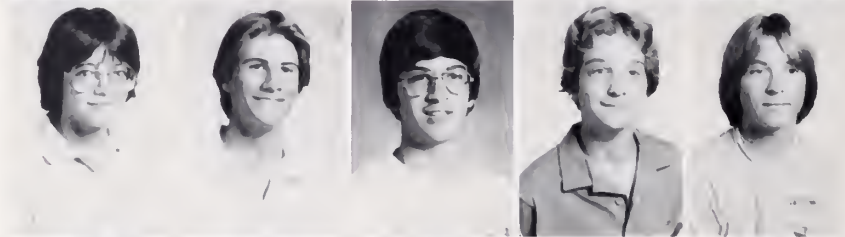
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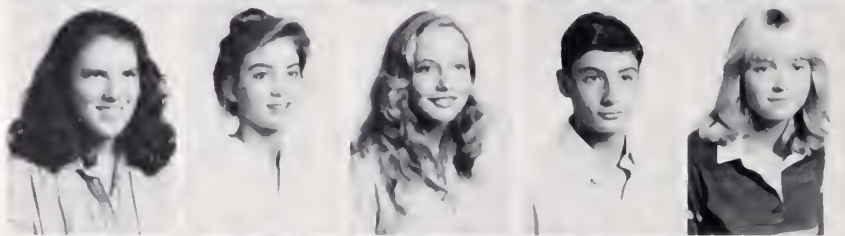
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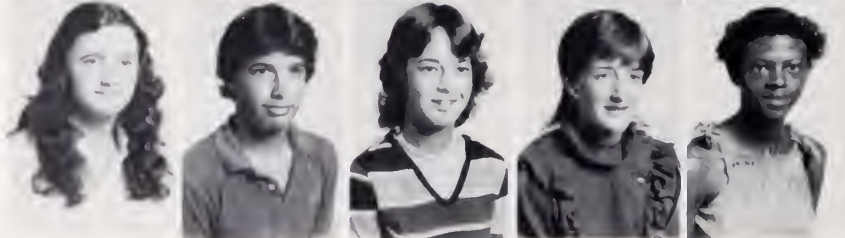
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Debbie Kolb
Matt Kossin
Shawn Koutas



Susan Krall
Bob Kuhn
Tina Kulp
Barbara Lamb
Phyllis Lane



"It's not that hard if you know what you're doing," commented **Seth Potter** on Behind-the-Wheel Training, a course in which learning drivers practice driving techniques. It was mandatory that the student driver be conscientious of everything he did while driving because the instructor was paying acute attention. He was prepared to mark a quick "X" for not adjusting the seat before adjusting the mirror or for forgetting to check a blind spot on a deserted road.

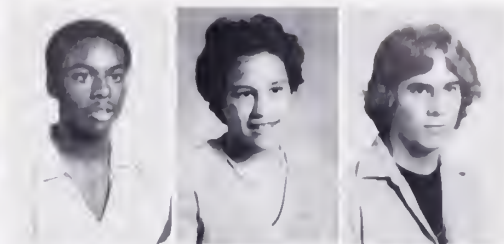
In this course, students learned the technique of defensive driving, better known as "not getting hit." Instructors lectured about basic maneuvers, but "hands-on" experience, which involved watching for drivers who constantly braked or put on their turn signals too early, was the best way for students to learn. "Off the road recovery" was another technique that each student warily tried for himself. **Kip Green** admitted, "I don't like Driver's Ed, but I'll be glad when I get my license."

Getting the license proved to be an unnerving experience for most sophomores. Before actually taking the test, the average sophomore was subjected to horror stories about people driving into telephone poles or failing the test because they had forgotten to wear a seat belt.

"Parallel parking is hard because they don't have lines to mark it," admitted **Brian Patton**. Though students were reviewing parallel parking techniques in their minds as they arrived at DMV, the most difficult maneuver required in the test was making a complete stop at a stop sign. When the test was completed the victorious newly-licensed driver raced home beaming from ear to ear. Sophomores must remember their defensive driving techniques, especially at this moment of extreme excitement, because unexpected accidents may occur. Perhaps driving should be reserved for the upperclassmen. — L.C. & C.B. □



While he waited
for his ride home,
William Taylor used
the time to look for
an interesting book
to read.



Derick Latham
Cathy Lawhome
Keith Leffler



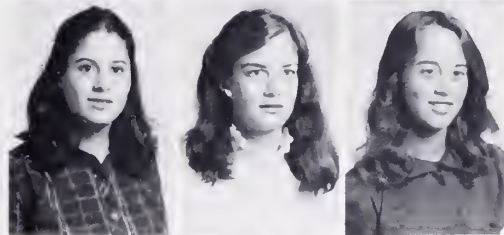
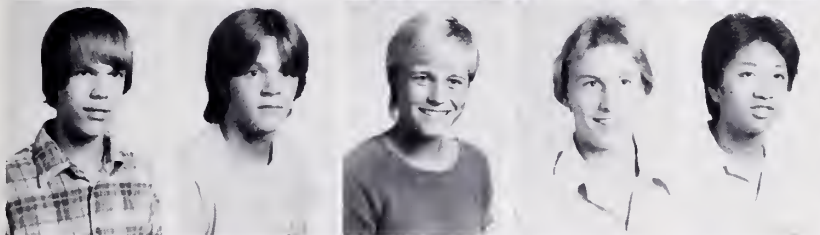
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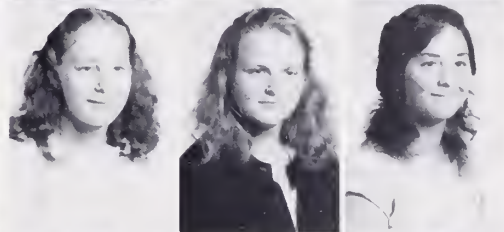
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Brian Maddix
Carl Mahler
Heather Malbon
Steve Malbone
Reggie Mangahas
Tracy Manning
Marianne Mannschreck
Suzanne Mannschreck



Melanny Marois
Laura Marshall
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Kristin Master
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Although Chris Traywick
did not drive, he found
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other than riding the bus.

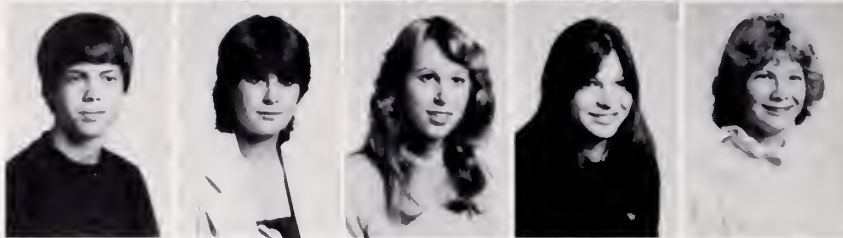
THE CLIFF'S EDGE

Notes for those who don't take any.

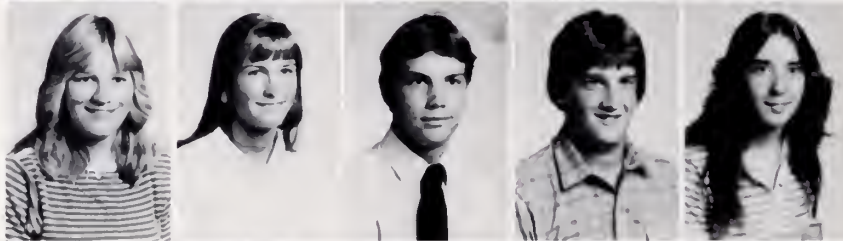
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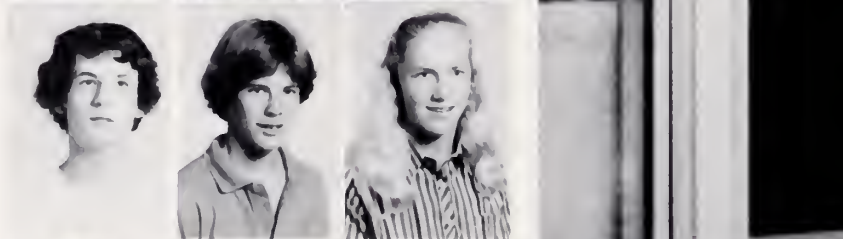
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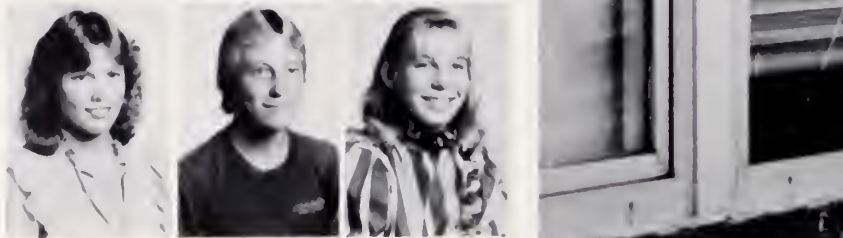
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Danny Mills
Jeff Mitchell
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Leslie Molnar
Sid Moore
Tammy Moose



Debbie Kolb decided to take a break from the stern curriculum of her biology class as she waved to some friends.

Following the first few weeks of school, most new sophomores realized just how rigorous high school can be. "High school is a challenge because the teachers expect a lot more of you, but if they didn't, you wouldn't do the work," commented **Kathy Kalweit**.

In English, especially, teachers expected more from their students than ever before. Sophomores cried for help as teachers presented new terms such as multi-paragraph essays, symbolism, and controlling idea. As **Clay Butler** commented, "I had never heard of a multi-paragraph essay before this year, and the essays require a lot more work to do them correctly." With stricter writing criteria and reading deep literature, many students felt overwhelmed.

To help them meet these tougher standards, many sophomores reached for **Cliff Notes**. Though an insufficient substitute for reading an assigned book, **Cliff Notes** proved to be an excellent source for additional information. "If I don't quite understand something, they help clear it up," admitted **Katrina Loukx**. In time of need, **Cliff Notes** will always come to the rescue.
— C.B. □





Angle Laser leaped through the Cliff Notes at B. Dalton Bookstore. Many students found **Cliff Notes** a big help in reading literature.



Durrett Morgan
Allen Morril
David Morse



Amy Mosby
Dana Moser
Brian Muehlenbeck



Kevin Mullin
Lindsey Munden
John Mundy



Gigi Murphy
Tarence Murphy
Tim Murphy
Kim Neely
Elizabeth Nelson
Georgia Nelson
Steve Nelson
Colin Nesiusus



Bonnie Neuhofer
Laurie Nickerson
Mary Nixon
David Noonan
Lissa North
Kelly Nowell
Jerry Nunn
Mike Nymberg



Christina O'Brien
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Mylis Oden
Kris Olinger
Chris Olivieri
Dina O'Neal
Lori Orvis
Al Ovelfette



Ronald Overton
Roslyn Owens
Jamie Pacella
Gary Pallett
Shelby Pallette
David Pallister
Andrew Palmer
Jonas Palmer



Resa Palmer
Don PaPineau
Tony Parker
Susan Patrick
Penny Patterson
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Skip Pavlik
Pam Pawley

Laurie Nickerson
found that studying
outside the school
was more peaceful
than in the chaotic
F.C. corridors.



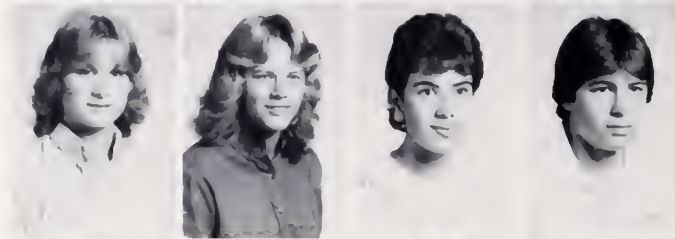
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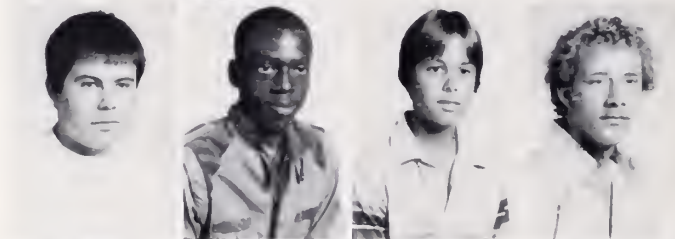
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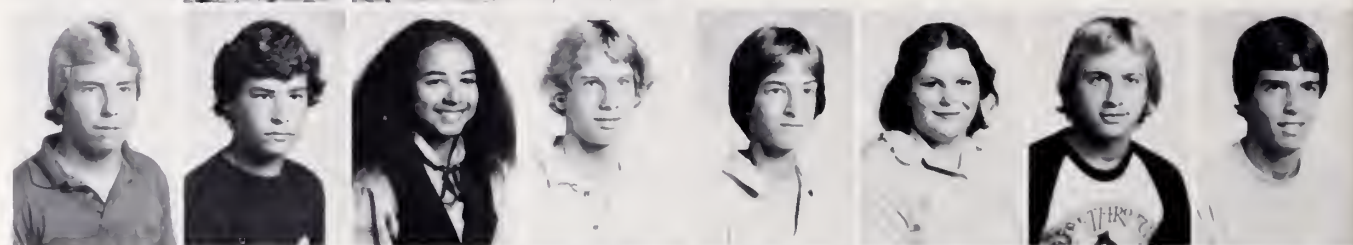
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Phil Ralph
Powell Randolph
Sherry Rascon
Wes Rawls
Tim Redfeam



Dennis Reed
Eunice Rein
Tim Richards
Louis Ricks
Devonne Riddick
Kim Rivenbark
Chris Rodgers
Chris Roebuck



Eddie Roebuck
Don Roof
Laura Rowan
Christine Rowell
Mindi Russell
Paul Russell
Ben Ryan
Jeff Ryan



Mike Ryan
Stephen Salyers
Christina Saunders
Randy Saunders
David Savino
Benjamin Sawyer
Elizabeth Scarborough
Lynnette Schaeffer



"THEY EGGED MY DOG"

Rivalries wreaked havoc on floats.

There were warnings, but nobody listened. There were threats, but nobody believed. And one night, it finally happened. It was by chance that two of this staff's roving reporters were out that night covering the building of all the class floats. When they arrived at the Sophomore building site, they were given a warm greeting. "You two aren't going to egg us are you?" asked **Laura Rowan**, with a hint of fear in her voice. They assured her that they were there just to gather information of their story. They said goodbye and headed for the Junior's site. The funny thing was that they could not find it. They arrived at the announced house, but were then directed across the street to a secret meeting place. While there, they learned of the Junior plot to egg the Seniors and jumped at the chance to go with them. Upon arriving at the Senior site, they were informed that the Juniors had not been around. They soon realized why the Juniors arrived and hastily left; the Seniors had stocked their refrigerators with at least ten cases of eggs and had guards on the lookout for any intruders. "We're ready for 'em," quipped Senior **Jeff Citcako**. "I hope they show up!"

It was a great weekend for the dairy farmer, as sales of eggs rose by ten percent. Competition between the classes rose to such an extent that it was regarded as one of the fiercest competitions since the school opened. — M.H. □



Barbara Schlimgen
Casey Schmitt
Ralph Schuler
Guyvana Schuyler
Mark Scungio



Debbie Selby
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Steve Seiden
Karen Sexton
William Shephard



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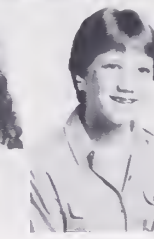
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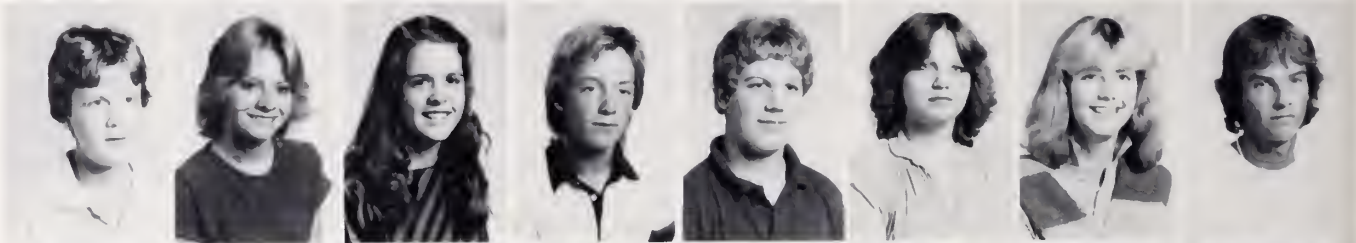
David Donahue, Caron Upton, and Mike Savage prepared for their egging attack of the Senior Float.





Greg Butz proved that the copier machine in the library was useful when he needed to make a copy of a magazine article that he couldn't take home.

Todd Stevens
Ana Stewart
Cathi Stewart
Gary Sutton
Bob Sweeney
Sharon Szuhay
Holly Tace
Doug Talbot



Sarah Tanner
Jonathan Taylor
William Taylor
Fred Teaster
Mike Teaster
Edgar Telentino
Beth Tetterton
Chuck Thomas



Mandy Thompson
Mike Thompson
Sean Thompson
Julia Tickner
Abbie Todd
Lisa Tompkins
Darcy Tomun
Chris Traywick



Debbie Turner
Sonya Uzzle
Scott Vandover
Heather Van Meter
Denise Vasta
Hans Wachtmeister
Hope Wagner
Mark Ware



OVERHEARD IN THE HALLS

Sophomores found FC halls a good source of information.

Walking through the halls of First Colonial could be quite an experience. While squeezing between people in the hallways, one could catch exciting tidbits of gossip. "She did WHAT?" and "He's going out with HER?" were commonly heard. As two friends passed in the hall, a cheery hello might be all that was heard. **Cynthia Shephard** said, "I like seeing people and talking to everybody."

Sometimes the exciting tidbits of news were not verbal; they were visible. The various couples of the day received loads of attention. Many, in an attempt to engage in private conversations, positioned themselves under the 700 hall stairway linked at the waist. To their utter dismay, their efforts at privacy intrigued others, and those passing by stared indiscreetly.

Though sophomores heard "talk" in the halls at junior high, the talk they heard in high school halls was quite different. Plans for parties, how hard the Driver's Ed tests were, and Friday night football games were common topics. Remarked **Bobby Hunter** "When I walk in the halls, I learn something new every day." — C.B. & L.C. □



Shawn Koutas added to the Sophomores' Spirit Week points by purchasing a Spirit Balloon, which she proudly displayed at the football game.



Brian Warren
Scott Warren
Donna Washburn
Amy Wasserman
Teri Waters
Suzanne Weber
Laurie Weldon
Karen Weller

Scott Westerman
Judy Whedbee
Angela Whitehead
Diane Whitehurst
Andrea Wiggins
Ricky Wiggins
Eddie Williams
Paul Williams

Wanda Williams
Beth Wilson
Bryan Wilson
Debbie Wilson
Teresa Wilson
Misty Wimmer
Robert Winbauer
Bobby Wood

Allisha Woodhouse
Anthony Woodhouse
Connie Woodlock
Mike Woodman
Jeff Wolff
Charlie Wright
Fran Wright
Tammy Wright

While many students were faced with essays, term papers, math homework, and science fair projects, others found enjoyment in after-school activities. Each morning, after the Pledge of Allegiance and the Moment of Silence, five minutes of club meetings, fund raisers, sports events, and game scores were announced. This morning ritual informed the student body of all activities happening inside and outside First Colonial.

Therefore, since students knew when meetings were held, many made arrangements to attend. The Foreign Language clubs were able to visit restaurants and conventions with a large group of students. Also, groups were formed, such as Future Business Leaders of America, Future Homemakers of America, American Heritage Club, Industrial Arts Club, ROTC, and DECA, which consisted of students who shared the same interests.

The **Town Crier** staff, **Heritage** staff, **Impressions** staff, chorus, Forensics team, Debate team, and F.C.'s Theater Association were given a chance to express themselves in many different ways. Some students even found themselves hounding their friends or sacrificing their lunch periods selling items ranging from FBLA's notepads to AIASA's trashcans to NHS's carnations. However, through these clubs and organizations, students were able to learn new things, meet different people, and escape the dreaded homework (if only for a short time!). — B.M. □



An extremely vocal group at home football games, the First Colonial Patriot Marching Band enthusiastically participated in the popular cheer, "Red Hot."

Before Jim Rittenhouse's faculty spread was sent off to the publisher, editors Julie Gustafson and Brennan Murphy made some suggestions for improvement.

As the clock ticked off the final seconds of the first half, Field Commander Diane Legg prepared the band for their first number of their program



PAVING THE

WAY!

ACTIVITIES



With all the activity and confusion involved in creating a production, a quiet place is often hard to find. Thespians officers Maura Krah, Mike Harrell, April Haney, Dnae Jacobs, and Clete Smith retreated to the shelves of the band room in order to hold their exectueiv meeting about **Harvey** in rare peace.

For One And For All

Music is the common link that produces an award winning band.

Arriving at school at 5:00 A.M. on a Saturday morning doesn't sound like much fun, but for members of the First Colonial Patriot Marching Band, it was a way of life for most of the Saturdays in October. However, the early weekend hours and the long practices during the week and in August before school started paying off. At their first competition in Alexandria, Virginia, the dynamic Patriot percussion section started the year off right by taking first place. "I couldn't believe we had gotten first," said mallet player **Mary Hunter**. "I guess I hadn't really realized we were that good!"

Throughout all of the competitions, the band continuously received high scores in the music category and at their second competition at Tunstall High School in Danville, Virginia, the Patriots walked away with second place. One of the First Colonial drum majors, **Stacey Aucoin**, believed that it wasn't only the hard work that made the Patriots a winning band. "There is a point when the band has a very strong sense of family. It is this feeling of unity that sparks within the band around competition time and helps us to do a spectacular job."

The highlight of the band's marching season was their final competition at East Carolina University. First Colonial not only won first in their class, but also first place percussion for the second time and first place drum majors. After the winners were announced, co-drum major **Diane Legg** commented that

John Reid gives it all he's got for the First Colonial fans. John's trumpet playing brought many cheers and compliments from all the crowds the band encountered.

Lynne Walker enhanced the band's performance with her solo. Lynne's trombone solo was praised throughout the year by the judges at all of the marching Patriot's competitions.

Percussionists Suzle Weber, Pow Randolph, and John Colbus perform one of the many maneuvers that made them winners in respected competitions such as the East Carolina University Band Day.

"even though the practices were sometimes long and frustrating, in the long run things always work out."

Things not only worked out during the first few months of the year, but also later on during concert season. The band gave several outstanding concerts and also participated in the annual District IV Music Festival. "After working all year long with the same people, you really get to feel close to them. It's like one big family that you can always count on," said **Laurel Franz**. During Senior Regional Band tryouts in December, however, band members had nobody to count on except themselves. Amid much nervousness and, in some cases, confusion, musicians from all over the area attended tryouts at Brandon Junior High School in Virginia Beach. **Todd Baker** felt that, "for me at least, Regional Band is the highlight of the year." **Denley Woodles** expressed the sentiment of all the people who were chosen for Regional Band, "when you get that phone call from Mr. Reel saying you 'made it', all the hard work suddenly seems worth it."

Whether it was marching, performing at a concert, or participating in Regional Band tryouts, each and every one of the First Colonial band members did an outstanding job this year. Some of the students will go on with their music in college. Others will simply continue it as a hobby because they enjoy it. They all have their music in common, though. As **Lynne Walker** said, "Our music is the link that brings us together." — D.G. □





The First Colonial Patriot Marching Band. After working for long hours during the summer and after school perfecting their routines, the band went on to do well in all the competitions they attended.

With the rest of the band in the background, Tony Barton, Gina Brown, and Pat Flanagan play towards the home crowd. They play only three of the many instruments found within the band.

Mary Hunter concentrated on her performance during the Patriot's halftime show. Concentration such as hers was essential for remembering all of the movements and music used in the show.

While co-drum major Diane Legg was elsewhere directing the percussion, Stacey Aucoin lead the rest of the band from the podium.



A Touch of



Bob Kuhn, Jeanene Jacobs, Kira Porter, and Caprice Royal take time out from eating to enjoy the festivities at the Foreign Language party.

German Club: First row — Denise Vasta, Amy Fortenberry, Jannan Holmes, Stacey Aucoin, Tammy Thompson. Second row — Christin Attlessey, Derek Davis, Mrs. Lewis, Mark Hogendobler, John Bischof, Sung Kim, Doug Garrou.



French Club: First row — Mary Beth Noonan, Cynthia Shepherd, CeCe Shepherd, Stephen Shepherd, (CeCe's brother), Beth Blevins. Second row — Stuart Douglass, Susie Webber, Debbie Kolb, Missy McGruder, Caron Upton, Kim Ackiss. Third row — Michelle Coffman, Kevin Cooper, Bobby Wood, Hans Wachtmeister, David Noonan, Mr. Rountree.

the Continents

What Foreign Language clubs are really all about.



Spanish Club: First row — Michael Davis — President, Paula Jones, Theda Stemler, Vicky Spence, Cheryl Miller, Kris Combs — Treasurer. Second row — Theresa Des, Valerie Lenesi, Elizabeth Brogden, Florence Tarquis, Tracy Manning, Tricia Benube, Lynn Speeney, Jackie Droyd. Third row — Mrs. DeMergis, Debbie Turner, Susan Peebles, Stephanie Tsantes,

Kevin Kerwin, Chris Good, Karen Sexton, Chris Parker, Jim Williams, Sean Faubian, Kristi James, William Taylor, Katy Parsons, Amber Bridgett, Amy Mosley, Inga Bridgett, Mrs. Sessoms. (Not pictured: Todd Wooten — Vice President, Tanya Cowan — Secretary.)



Representing the Latin Club:

Lisa Tacker — Treasurer, William Pearlman — President, Stephenie Tsantes — Vice President, Mia Arrigoni — Secretary.

French student, Nancy Wich

soon discovered that spicy Spanish dip did not appeal to her. All foreign Language students were seen and heard as they feasted at the Christmas party.



When most people think of a foreign language club, their first question is, "What do they do at the meetings, talk about foreign languages?" Well, this was only one of the many things that happened at a Spanish, French, German, or Latin Club meeting.

"At first I was reluctant to join a foreign language club because I thought it would be like a class lecture, but after I joined I found out how wrong I was," explained **Kira Porter**.

One of the major differences between our country and foreign countries is the food. The foreign language clubs took advantage of this difference and planned at least two trips to local foreign restaurants such as "Carlos Murphy's" and "La Caravelle." In addition, a trip to Spain for the summer vacation is being planned by Spanish students. This will prove to be exciting as well as a learning experience.

At Christmas time, each club got a chance to sample tastes and cultures when they united at the annual Christmas party. Students heard about Christmas customs from foreign exchange students and saw how each language is used by watching skits from each club. Food was also prepared, and sounds of delight were heard as students devoured the treats.

Foreign Language Week was another busy time for bilingual students. Each club designed poster, buttons, and activities to tell about their language. The Latin Club planned a party for the Ides of March celebration and the German Club went to the Bavarian House for German cuisine. As **Sean Faubian** said, "All the work I did during Foreign Language Week really helped me brush up on the language and learn to speak it better."

Whether it was Spanish, French, German, or Latin, there was a lot more to our Foreign Language clubs than meets the eye. — C.W. □



Mia Arrigoni got a lift from Bill Hammontree and Rusty Coning as they set the stage. Muscles and talent were a must.



After reading through their lines, April Haney and her cast realized the pain of practice.

The fine art of applying make-up was one of the many things Janet Baxter and Maura Krah learned for their performance.



Thespians Unite

... and they put it all together.



Whether entertaining the audience or each other, the First Colonial Theater Association had a flair for drama that did not quit. "When we're all up there on stage, working together to make the play perfect, our energy is so strong and our characters come through much better," exclaimed **Caprice Royal**.

New to First Colonial this year, Drama Coach Mrs. Curtis supported and taught her students in many ways. From long play rehearsals to state competition, she was behind them one hundred percent. Although the group was large, and the work was hard, the Thespians worked well together and it showed in their performances. "When you look around at play rehearsal and know that everyone is striving for the same thing, a good performance, it gives you an overwhelming feeling of togetherness," explained **Sally Cox**.

Also new to F.C. were the mime troupe and a series of one act plays in the winter. These extra activities gave more students a chance to perform and provide entertainment during the winter months.

The Thespians were noted for their continuous awards in various competitions; after winning first place for their performance in the Neptune Festival, the Thespians also did well at the annual State Thespian Conference.

Even with all their new activities and productions, the Theater Association made each performance as entertaining as the first. — C.W. □

"I must learn my lines, I must learn my lines," murmured David Demchuck as the intently reviewed his lines for his role in "Harvey", the fall production.

Theater Association: First row — Sharon Suzhay, Rusty Coning, Sally Cox, William Deal, Kathy Durban, Bob Kuhn, Penny Patterson, Tina Sykes. Second row — Danae Jacobs, Mary Virginia Holbert, Caprice Royal, Debbie Kolb, Mike Chasteen, Tracy Pope, Karl Weme, David Demchuk, Pretlow Seaton, Janet Baxter, Patty O'Neill, Rocky Martirano, Augustine Maiz, Jill Sessler, Elizabeth Morgan, Nancy Wich, Michelle Frost, Leslie Atherholt, Mrs. Curtis, Kevin Neible. Third row — Clete Smith, Maura Krah, April Haney, Elizabeth Norton, Jeff McClure. Officers: Maura Krah — president, Mike Harrell — Vice President, April Haney — treasurer, and Clete Smith — state vice president.





Cynthia Dozler, Alethia Price, and Denise Wright look for recipes to prepare for the FHA mock wedding.

Karen Kolb, dressed in her kimono, talks to Mrs. Chapman's class about her trip to Japan last summer. Staying with a Japanese family, Karen learned many customs and styles of their way of life.

Greg Etheridge lends a hand to Kevin Wong as he puts the finishing touches on his six weeks project.



Up and Away

FHA and AIASA were on their way to a bright future.



Preparing for the future, members of Future Homemakers of America (FHA) and Industrial Arts Club (AIASA) began by classroom work. Not only was the work enjoyable but the experiences also helped to train for a future job. As treasurer of her club, **Lisa Jones** commented, "I feel that FHA not only prepares me for a future marriage, but helps in solving domestic problems that might arise."

FHA was busy throughout the year with community activities and fund raisers. Some activities included a party at Camelot Hall, a nursing home, where some of the members prepared the festivities and others created a quilt. Two other projects completed by the club were the mock wedding, and the sales of cookbooks in which the money raised was spent in buying a booth for the FHA City Carnival held each spring.

AIASA also kept busy during the school year with projects and fund raisers. Clickers, cowbells, and balloons were sold in order to raise enough money for members to go to the state competition in May. Many afternoons, members would stay to complete their projects. Not only were their projects to be graded, but many were taken home as presents. **Tim Heishman**, reporter of AIASA, summed it up when he said, "The teachers required a lot of work; however, the skill learned can be used in the future whether as a hobby or as a job." — B.B. □



Industrial Arts Club: First row — John Caton, Valerie Amsler, Greg Etheridge, Kevin Wong, Shaun Gibson. Second row — Mercedes Hosang, Tammy Thompson, Lisa Hinton, Shelia Hinton. Third row — Miss Harland, Mr. Pugh, Liz Starbuck, Joe Majewski, Tim Heishman, John Dworske, Erik Turner, Mr. West.

FHA officers enjoy a meal at the Red Lobster. Outings such as these were one of the many benefits of being an FHA member. Left to right: Inga Bridgett, president; Lisa Jones, treasurer; Eva Juillerat, historian; Chris Carver, vice-president; Kim Rivenbark, federal president; Littania Turner, secretary.

Joe Majewski prepares a Queen Anne table to be entered in the industrial arts competition in May.

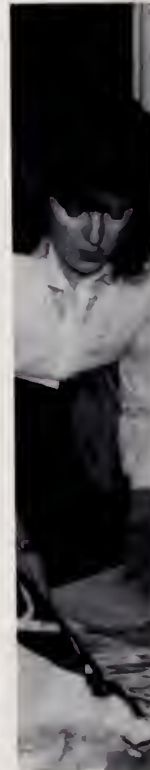




First Colonial High School Concert Chorus: Back row — Michelle Desgain, Carmen Smith, Debbie Malona, Niel Young, Libby Kiehl, Michelle Doran. Front row — Karen Lugenbeel, Pat Fervan, Donita Johnson, Margo Johnson, Eva Juillerat, Tommy Fermilli, Grethe Soadsfjord, Ann Keefe, Corbin Butler, Mrs. Gibson.

First Colonial Madrigals: Back row — Valerie Barco, Debbie Kemick, Richard Nickerson, Jim Rittenhouse, David Peterson, Diane Whitehurst, April Haney, Annika Freyss. Front row — Michelle Desgain, Jeanene Jacobs, Eva Freyss, Katy Rogers, Kathy Norton, Derek Joyner, Laura Forbes, Jenny Vester, Maribeth Millis, Stacey Moyer. Seated — Mrs. Gibson.

As Ann Keefe anxiously awaited the performance, Michelle Desgain and Mrs. Gibson practiced minutes before in order to provide a perfect show.



In the Limelight

F.C. students learned to overcome stage fright.



Having to perform or speak in front of others was something most of us avoided whenever possible. For members of the forensics and debate teams and chorus, however, there was no hiding.

The forensics and debate teams had to do a great deal of speaking in front of others. Members participating in forensics competed in a city wide tournament with sights set on the state tournament. The debate team, although not competing in categories such as poetry and prose as forensics did, also had to train themselves to become good orators and to not be nervous. Said **Joe Kiley**, "It's really scary when you first get up there, but after you get started you become so intent on winning that nerves do not bother you." **Kathy Kalweit** credited a great deal of her debating success not to getting over anxiety, but to the debating coach, Mrs. Crommelin, "Mrs. Crommelin was a big help in organizing the team and helping us get our act together."

Although on the surface chorus doesn't have much in common with forensics and debate, students of both groups had to learn to overcome their nerves throughout the year. **Diane Whitehurst**, a sophomore, commented

that, "When we first start singing, I am really nervous, but after we get into the performance my nerves don't bother me. Crowd response helps a lot."

The concert chorus and madrigals each gave several outstanding concerts during the year. In their Pop Concert the two groups sang many well known songs such as "Aquarius" and "Open Arms". Madrigals also gave several concerts outside of school, such as one at the Hermitage Museum in Norfolk.

The students didn't always sing in a group, however. In October they individually tried out for Regional Chorus. "I was really uptight when I first went in to try out, but when I found out I had made it, all the nervousness suddenly seemed worth it," commented **Stacey Moyer**.

Although forensics, debate, and chorus have very different talents, students of all the groups had to learn to overcome their nervousness and concentrate on doing a good job. Through the help of Mrs. Crommelin, debate and forensics coach, and Mrs. Gibson, chorus and madrigals director, the students were able to accomplish their goals and to add a great deal to First Colonial. — D.G. □



Kathy Kalweit diligently did research, a major part of the team's work, at one of the many after school practices. With the help of newspapers, magazines, and other sources, the students gathered all the information needed for an effective argument.

Valerie Barco, **Stacey Moyer**, and **Kathy Norton** prepared the programs for the Christmas concert. All of the concerts during the year not only required long hours of hard work learning the music, but also preparing the choreography of the production.

DEBATE: Front row — Heather Koball, Rhonda Baker, Kathy Kalweit. Back row — Joe Kiley, Mike Karesh.

S.C.A. Officers Mike Cunningham, Alana Mason, and Matt Verster took time out to show off the F.C. hats.



First row — officers: Matt Vester, Jill Sesler, Alana Mason, Lisa Wright, Mike Cunningham. **Second row** — executive council: Tiffany Bevan, Sharon Munford, Dina Spanoulis, Gretchen Koball, Lucy Bailey, Michelle Doran, Jenny Rundle, David Noonan, Sydney Marthinson, Julie Gustafson, Jimmy Ring, Sung Kim. **Third row** — Loretta Brothers, Tammy Thompson, Stephanie Shafer, Alex Christodoulis, Missy Beam, Craig Burns, Susan Peebles, Brad Stoops, Jimmy

Duke. **Fourth row** — Dori Martin, Sandy Decker, Annaliese Beasley, Beck Miller, Cynthia Shepard, CeCe Shepard, John McHue, Kristy James, Valusia Beasley, William Perlman. **Fifth row** — Jamie Decker, Sean Thompson, Julie Tickner, Kelly Knight, Mike Mulhall, Russell Payne, Kim Williams, Robin Bedard, Karen Kolb.

On the Go

S.C.A. not only worked for the school, but for the community.



To an onlooker, an S.C.A. meeting may have seemed merely like a group of rowdy teenagers getting together for a gab session. However, under all of the noise and, sometimes, confusion, this group of students was in reality learning to work together in order to make a stronger school and community.

The Student Cooperative Assication (S.C.A.) did many things throughout the year to pull First Colonial students closer together. One of the many was selling Patriot hats which helped increase spirit during basketball games and other school events. Said S.C.A. secretary, **Matt Vester**, "Doing all the various fundraisers and other activities is very important. However, I do not think these could have been accomplished if all of the officers didn't work so well together. We all know each other so well that we get things done without any major problems."

The S.C.A. also made sure that all of

the F.C. students were represented by having homeroom representatives. Each first bell picked both a representative and an alternate. These students were responsible for going to all of the meetings and then reporting back to their classmates on all of the S.C.A.'s activities.

The S.C.A. was also very busy outside of school. It participated in many civic projects. These projects were not only responsible for spreading First Colonial's name, but also for strengthening the community. "We feel that the S.C.A. shouldn't just focus on making First Colonial better, but on our entire community that the students will have to go into after graduation," commented S.C.A. president, **Kevin Keefe**.

Because of the hard work of these dedicated students, everyone had a great deal to look forward to — not only in the walls of F.C., but also after they left them. — D.G., B.B., & C.W. □



Mike Cunningham looked through the filing cabinet to find information needed for the upcoming SCA event.

SCA officers: First column — Matt Vester, Secretary; Alana Mason, Vice-President; Jill Sesler, Second Vice-President. Second column — Mike Cunningham, Parliamentarian; Kevin Keefe, President; Lisa Wright, Treasurer.

Dorl Martin, an S.C.A. representative, tried to persuade her government class into buying a t-shirt, one of the many fund raisers sponsored by the S.C.A.



American Culture Club: First row — Daphyne Darden, reporter; Amber Bridgett, Troy Bell; Patricia Joyner; sergeant of arms; Carol Smith. Second row — Debbie Selby; Shelia Smith; Iris Alford, Anneliese Beasley; Kris Noell; Diane Griffin; Mamie Ware; Shelia Hinton; Kim Banks; Lisa Hinton (not pictured — Tony Williams, president, Rodney Jordan, vice-president; Alicia Jones, secretary; Patrick Olds, treasurer; William Graves; Chris White; Tanya Jones).

FBLA: First row — Chris Karvala, Eva Freyss; Judy Perrigo, president, Meg Needham, Dori Martin, Claire Martirano, Elizabeth Brogden, treasurer, Charlene Connaughton, historian; Jannon Holmes. Second row — Larry McCoy; Pam Hillquist, secretary, Mark Jaffee; John Robertson, Mike Meyer, David Connery, reporter, David Galway, vice-president, Matt Kossin.

DECA officers: — Barbie Donovan, president, Shellie Harrell, vice-president, Lori Vaughan, secretary, Tanya McCormick, treasurer; Barry Scott, historian/reporter (not pictured — Tammy Tickle, parliamentarian)



Building Awareness

Opportunity knocked for FBLA, DECA, and American Heritage.



"What club is that?" was the reply by many students who were unfamiliar with Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), American Heritage Club, and Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA). This year, however, these clubs were busy with many fundraising and community activities.

FBLA concentrated their skills learned in classes and applied them in a state convention that was held in Norfolk. Each member was given a chance to see many aspects of a business. Other activities held during the year were a visit to Camelot Hall, participation in a state competition, and selling of such items as pens and stickers. **Elizabeth Brogden**, treasurer of FBLA, concluded, "I learned how to manage money for our club; I also had the experience to see how a business is really organized."

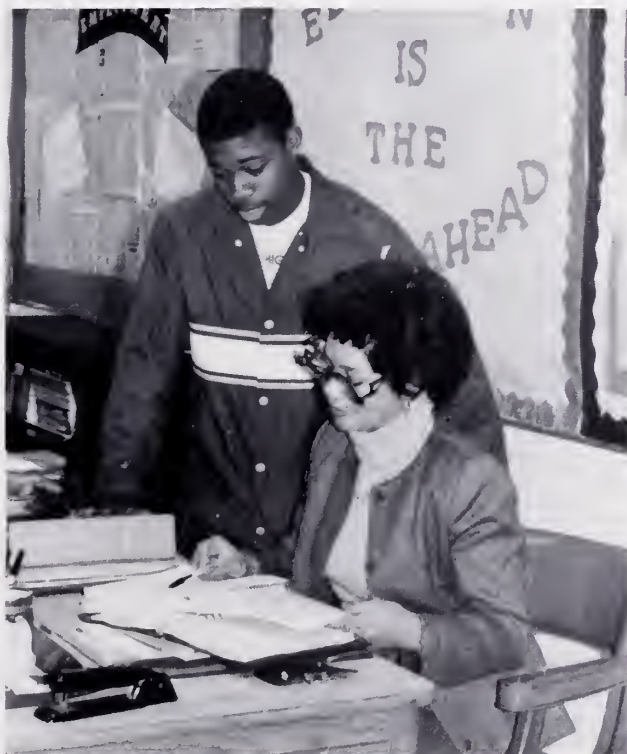
The American Heritage Club was also occupied with fundraisers such as a car wash which was held in October and candy which was sold in December. The money made by each of these activities helped to pay for a trip to the Afro-American Art Center in Washington, D.C. The American Heritage Club also helped many students study for SAT's in the fall. **Rodney Jordan**, vice-president of the American Heritage Club, explained, "We try to encourage the members' self-respect by making them aware of current events."

DECA kept busy this year by selling candy, coupon books, and cookies in order to raise money for a trip to New York in the spring. For a career week, DECA set up a display in Lynnhaven Mall showing the various courses that could be taken at school. The president of DECA, **Barbie Donovan** commented, "DECA prepares you for a business following college; it also teaches you how to communicate with other people in order to make the business a success." — B.B. □

Several students, like Claire Martirano, were often seen practicing their skills on the typewriter after school for a state competition held in the spring.

Shellie Harrell and Charolette Hartz finished their display by putting up posters of the fall fashions.

Rodney Jordan, vice-president, looked on as sponsor Mrs. Moore pointed out the agenda for the meeting.



It's a Print!

Deadlines and commitments kept **Town Crier** staff busy.

There were many different clubs and activities to take part in at First Colonial, but one of the organizations that stood out the most was the **Town Crier** staff. The staff took the best ideas from previous newspapers and with the help of sponsor, Mrs. James, combined them with new ideas to make every edition of the **Town Crier** one to remember. Many factors led to the success of the **Town Crier**. Meetings were better organized so a larger group would be present, and the staff members worked well together, each adding a new flavor of writing to the newspaper. In addition, members attended a newspaper conference at UVA which expanded their knowledge of running a newspaper. **Robin Drucker**, editor, explained, "We have the base and we're able to build the stepping stones upon which future members will follow and expand." Besides learning the fundamentals of putting together a newspaper, students had to assume the responsibility for its completion. The job couldn't be done by the editor alone and the rest of the staff soon learned the importance of keeping up and getting organized. Free time was often spent writing articles or designing layouts. The word "deadline" sent panic into the hearts of young journalists as last minute changes were constantly being made. As reporter and member of the editing staff, John Robertson put it, "Deadlines are a procrastinators' worst enemy." Even with hurried schedules and a hectic pace, in the end, the **Town Crier** staff came shining through with stories and articles to keep every student up to date on the latest happenings at First Colonial. — C.W. □

When she became an editor, Robin Drucker discovered the many new pressures that went with the job, but found out that they were worth it when the paper sales were boosted

Town Crier staff: Jennifer Polanski, Linette Schaffer, John Robertson, Mary Stephenson, Mrs. James, Analise Craig, Robin Drucker — Editor, John Bischof, Suzi Weber, Mike Meyer, Lorri Shierling, Nancy Wich, Lisa Johnson, Debbie Kolb





David Demchuk found that the job of a reporter required perseverance, to dig for the facts, and imagination, to make the facts more interesting

With deadlines to meet and problems to solve, the staff and Mrs. Hudclark, an advisor, worked long hours to put the pieces of the paper together.



John Robertson gladly **accepted** help from volunteers Lucye Bailey and Alex Christodoulis since measuring headlines was not a task to do alone.

John Connally, Tim Murphy, and Carol Herald were eager to catch up on current school events each time the **Town Crier** was sold during the year.

Putting Their

N.H.S. members combined achievement and enthusiasm to serve F.C.

That constant striving for the "A" or "B" and the building of leadership and character proved to be worthwhile to the select group of Juniors inducted into the National Honor Society last year. Not only did the club honor those hardworking individuals, but also directed their energies to service the school and community.

Vital to the Society's ongoing services were the many fund raising efforts it pursued. Beginning the year was a successful and unique carwash/dogwash. Making the project successful was not only the large turnout of dirty cars and dirty dogs, but the unity generated within the group as well. As **Sharon Lawlor** commented, "The dog and carwash was a great way to start off the year. It boosted the enthusiasm of the entire club!" A year of commitment and service was found in the Society's management of the supply store. The store was a convenient source of needed materials. Also popular were the annual stationery and Valentine carnation sales. Secret pals, friends, and teachers were surprised and delighted by these tokens presented to them as gifts.

All of the work put into the fund raisers was culminated into the school and community services carried out by F.C.'s Honor Society. In the spring, a Blood Drive proved successful in all aspects, as the entire student body joined to help those who vitally needed blood. Also, each month, club members celebrated elderly citizens' birthdays at the Camelot Hall Nursing Home, a project gratifying to all who participated. One of the more noticeable Honor Society activities was the Student of the Month program. The winners were selected for their scholastic abilities, and their school and community achievements. **Christine Colavito**, one of the directors of the program, said, "Many students at First Colonial do a lot but never get any acknowledgement. Through the Student of the Month program, we can honor those outstanding students who would otherwise go unrecognized." — M.M. & J.R. □

The NHS supply store was not only a convenient place to buy materials, but also a source of information. Stephen Johnson learned of the Blood Drive as he purchased some school supplies from Mia Russell.



National Honor Society: Front row — Jim Rittenhouse — President, Patty McBride — Treasurer, Karen Kolb, Dwight Christenbury — Executive Council, Jenny Rundle, Mike Harrell, Mark Hogendobler — Executive Council, Christine Colavito — Vice President, Mary Beth Noonan — Secretary. Second row — Dori Martin, Julie Gustafson, Brennan Murphy, Joan Themides, Ann Murphy, Diane Legg, Nicole

McQueeney — Executive Council, Kurt Pluntke. Third row — Tim Davis, Alana Mason, Kim Williams, Jill Lubbs, Missy Beam, Sandy DeFord. Fourth row — Jeff Cicatko, Lysle Ailstock, Jimmy Booterbaugh, Sharon Lawlor, Dnae Kinzie, John James. (Not pictured: Mia Russell — Executive Council, Ann Howard, and Anne Leonard).

Heads Together



Birthday parties at Camelot Hall, a local nursing home, were among the Honor Society's many activities. Mark Hogendobler and Mary Beth Noonan took time to talk with a resident at the January party.

Totally surprised by Joan Themides' delivery, Mr. Ware was one of the many fortunate enough to receive an N.H.S. Valentine carnation from his secret pal.

The National Honor Society's carwash: dogwash proved to be a tedious and messy encounter for Jim Rittenhouse, Mark Hogendobler, Nicole McQueeney, Brennan Murphy, and Jeff Ciatko (and for Spot, too!).

Toil and Trouble

Impression staff and R.O.T.C. members were rewarded for many long hours of work.

"What goes next? What is that? What are we doing?!" These were only a few of the questions uttered from the mouths of R.O.T.C. and Impression staff members while preparing their finished product. Their hard work was well rewarded, however, when the students viewed the outstanding results.

The Naval Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (N.J.R.O.T.C.) was able to show its accomplishments not only at the many school events they participated in, but also at many civilian events. Both the men's and women's color guards, two parts of the R.O.T.C., were invited to present the colors at many events outside the school. Color guard commander **David Compton** stated his reason for being in N.J.R.O.T.C. as, "I feel like we're doing something to show we have feelings for our country. It's also a lot of fun going to the various places."

Another part of the outstanding group was the drill team. Divided into the women's trick drill team without arms and the men's trick drill team with arms, these students competed in several prestigious competitions at various colleges such as the University of Virginia and Duke University. These competitions were the climax of their year's work and consisted of four events which usually took an entire day. "The long hours, both after school and during the competitions,

are really worth it, not only because of the competitions and other events, but also because it will help me in the Navy," commented **Kevin Mullin**. "I really like the patriotic feeling being in the N.J.R.O.T.C. gives me. It's very rewarding," said company commander, **Mike Jones**.

Still another group of hard-working First Colonial students was the literary magazine, **Impressions**, staff. The staff members had the difficult task of compiling all of the exceptional prose, poetry, and art work done throughout the year by all of the school's students. As **Gretchen Koball** said, "It is really interesting looking through all of F.C.'s talent trying to find what we want for the magazine. Besides doing this, I've also had to learn to meet deadlines, which is hard to do sometimes because of the huge amount of work we have to do." Under the leadership of Mrs. Thoman, new to the first Colonial faculty this year, Gretchen and her co-workers not only did their task, but did it well and produced a literary magazine of which everyone can be proud.

All of these hard-working, dedicated, and talented students, although doing entirely different activities, were able to use their talents not only to benefit themselves, but their entire school and community. — D.G. □

The trick drill team with arms was one of the four part of the N.J.R.O.T.C. They competed along with the rest of the group at the various competitions. (left to right) front row — Jim Stanbridge, Robert Sturgis. back row — James Martin, Sean Tierney.

All members of the staff not only had to learn how to meet deadlines, but also to work together. (left to right) Leslie Doub, Lucye Bailey, An Sook Kim, Mrs. Thoman, Augustin Maiz, Theresa Miller. Not pictured — Gretchen Koball, Heather Koball, Kristen Masters, Alex Christodoulis, John James, Debbie Kolb.

Theresa Miller and Augustin Maiz discuss which of several poems to use for the magazine. All work was done during the many after-school work sessions.





Leading the N.J.R.O.T.C. through their paces this year were officers Tom Gore (left) and Mike Jones.

Female Cadets — (left to right) Row one — Sonia Galimore, Loretta Lynch, Angie Jones. row two — Sonja Dreuit, Cynthia Smith, Iris Alford. row three — Phyllis Lane, Lisa Palmer, Mary Blackwell. row four — Jennifer Neely, Beth Leafe, Korena Miele. row five — Caroline Melson, Sherie Rascon, Eva Juillerat. row six — Sandy Lennox, Loretta Brothers, Sylvia Whitaker.



Male Cadets — (left to right) row one — Anthony Barton, John Mazoch, Michael Woodman, William Graves. row two — Darrel Franklin, Keith Brown, Charles Peterson. row three — Darrel Bryant, Richard Carbonnell, Chris Trailwick, Ken Druid. row four — Thomas Keller, Kevin Mullin, Dalton Bryant. row five — Mike Owens, Steve Malbone, Chris Duffner, Jeff Gerhart.



Heritage Undercover

Annual Staff was the secret ingredient behind a perfect yearbook.

During October and November, morning announcements advertising the yearbook sale included the fact that the 1981-82 **Heritage** had received top awards in both national and state competitions. This, however, was not just a propaganda line to increase the sale of yearbooks, for indeed the last edition of First Colonial's annual placed first in the Virginia League High School competition and the Colombia Scholastic Press Association presented the book the most prestigious award, a Medalist. Last year's and again this year's editor **Julie Gustafson** commented, "After spending countless hours producing and perfecting the book, the satisfaction I felt upon receiving the awards was unbelievable! I was so proud of the entire staff!"

Much learning was involved in creating an award-winning yearbook. Terms such as point size, cropping, kicker, and layout were vague to many in the beginning of the year; however, after continuous usage these utensils and names eventually became familiar. **Candi Jenks** replied, "It was a chore putting the yearbook together. I never realized how many details went in to producing the book." Gathering quotes from F.C. students and taking, along with identifying, pictures gave headaches to many of the annual staff members. Deadline became the dreaded work; the yearbook staff knew that everything had to be turned in to the editors on these dates even if it meant staying up the entire night before that day. Along with learning how to put an annual together, members also learned something else. **Brennan Murphy**, editor of 1983 **Heritage**, explained, "I learned to fully accept responsibility and to successfully work with a large group of people."

Goals had to be met by each member of the annual staff in order to produce a first class yearbook. Sophisticated journalism along with artistic design had to be accomplished before the **Heritage** was sent off to the company. **Dina Spanoullis** concluded by saying, "Working on the **Heritage** has really helped me on my way to becoming a successful writer in the future." — B.B. □



Mike Davis worked on cropping several pictures before turning them in to be approved by the editors.

Todd Wooten revised his faculty layout for a second time in an attempt to meet his first deadline.

Mrs. Ezell, annual staff sponsor, worked with Lyn Channon on setting a headline, which must often be redone several times before reaching perfection.



Back row — M. Doran, Sports; D. Christenbury, Features; C. Whiteway, Activities; T. Wooten, Faculty; Mrs. Parker, Sponsor; K. Neibel, Photography; M. Harrell, Underclass; T. Whelan, Sports; B. Stoops, Sports; D. Gresham, Activities; J. Rittenhouse, Faculty; P. McBride, Seniors; A. Winbauer, Ads; M. McGruder, Circulation; L. Channon, Underclass; M. Russell, Business; C. Jenks, Faculty;

B. Brogden, Activities; Mrs. Ezell, Sponsor; S. Matt, Ads; M. Millis, Underclass; L. Doub, Circulation; M. Davis, Sports; A. Murphy, Features; D. Spanolis, Features; M. Gillan, Business; J. Themides, Seniors; T. Cowan, Ads; K. Wyles, Circulation; C. Butler, Underclass; B. Murphy, Editor; J. Gustafson, Editor. Not pictured: S. Kim, Photography; S. Connaughton, Seniors; T. Gore, Photography.

Photographer Kevin Neibel scanned photographs to find the field hockey picture for the sports section. New this year was the darkroom in the 700 hall.

Co-editors Julie Gustafson and Brennan Murphy helped Steve Matt prepare his ad layout for a deadline. Each staff member had to sell \$200 worth of ads.

Students often felt that they would definitely explode if one more test was announced or paper was assigned. The student body often had difficulty understanding the purpose of reciting and analyzing a poem which made absolutely no sense whatsoever to any of them, except of course, the teacher, and of memorizing five hundred Civil War battles and dates which could easily be looked up in any encyclopedia if future reference was necessary. Questions such as "What was the maximum height reached by the three kilogram mass?" seemed absurd. And those "pop quizzes" were the ultimate pits. The purpose behind all this was often lost, as were English notes, geometry books . . .

Who was to blame? Why, the teachers. And who did the teachers blame, the curriculum, of course! But who chose the curriculum, the administration. As the blame was passed like a loaded gun, frustration was felt by both students and teachers.

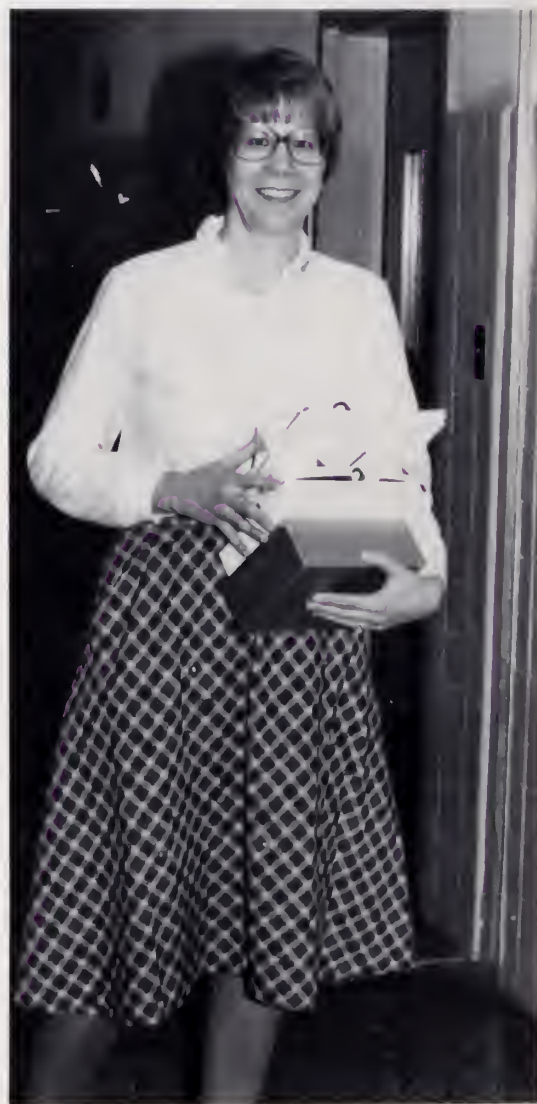
The teachers, however, did not purposely make our lives miserable. They recognized the need for a strong, well-balanced education in order to be productive members in society. In actuality, the high academic level present at F.C. is something of which to be proud. At the Beach and at colleges and universities across the country, First Colonial is a name and school which is highly respected. Thanks and appreciation must be extended to the dedicated faculty and administration for continuing to recognize and to develop the potential of First Colonial students. — J.G.



Although not one of her favorite pastimes, hall duty provided time for Mrs. Ewing to finish grading her tests and to prepare the week's lessons.

Second semester brought many changes to the Spanish classes. As Mrs. Christie-Damergis moved to New York, she was replaced by a friendly Mrs. Abdullah of Puerto Rico who made such a transition much easier.

New to First Colonial's biology department, Mrs. Reading enthusiastically took Mr. Hoskins place after he retired and was soon an important part of F.C.



KEEPING IN

STRIDE!

FACULTY



The gymnastics team spent many hours after school at practice in order to perfect their routines. A vital part of the team, Coach Rittenour instructed, assisted, and encouraged the team which was, perhaps, a major reason why the team was so successful throughout the entire winter season.

"I originally planned to major in music, since I had won a music scholarship. My parents moved, though, and I had to go to a different junior college than I had planned; the new college had a bad music department. Later I went to a university. It was there I decided to become a home economics teacher."

— Elizabeth Thomas



Larry Brown
Mooresville H.S.
Mooresville, N.C.

Susan Chewning
West Point H.S.
West Point, Va.

Peter DeWolf
Osborn H.S.
Manassas, Va.

Beth Lantz
Douglas Freeman H.S.
Richmond, Va.

Brenda Rhodes
First Colonial H.S.
Va Beach, Va.

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Belmont H.S.
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"Never In My Wildest Dreams..."



F.C.'s educators reveal their aspirations.

Those little-boy and little-girl dreams of yesteryear have all but vanished from the minds of juniors and seniors in high school. The aspirations to be firemen, policeman, actresses, ballerinas, and even the president don't often permeate teenager's thoughts in this stage of their life. High technology lingers more in the career planning that today's student undertakes. This is not only true now, but has been for many years. Many of F.C.'s faculty members had no real direction or certainty about what they would be as they looked forward to college in their senior years.

"I had no idea I would be a teacher," commented **Mrs. Johnson**, in fact, I didn't want to be one, but I did know that I had a certain talent in English." The educational field had always had a dreadful connotation as our teachers grew up, so naturally they really never thought they would be a part of it, much less enjoy it. **Mrs. Parker** noted, "It took me a long time to discover my ability in social sciences, but once in college, I knew I wanted to share my knowledge."

Unlike some of our faculty at F.C., **Mrs. Warner** discovered her longing to teach very early. "I was sure in the fourth grade that I was going to be an educator, and I also knew the college I would attend. However, I never realized what an effect my teaching would have on a student's school career and life."

Even though today's senior has many more career opportunities than those in the past, choosing one will very often be a long road for them. As for teaching, it's no different, for it is such a vital and worthwhile responsibility and calling. — J.R., C.J., & T.W. □

Jessie Moore
Booker T. Washington H.S.
Norfolk, Va.

Robert Swann
Norfolk Academy
Norfolk, Va.

Elizabeth Thomas
Farmington H.S.
Farmington, N.M.





Carefully studying
the Beach's school
zones, Mr. Wisniewski
and Mr. Wooten kept
future F.C. students in
mind.



Dr. E.E. Brickell
Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Michael C. Themides
Principal

Mr. Julius C. Wooten
Asst. Principal



Making It Count



The "Open-Door" was more than an invitation.

Ever since the change over of administration in 1980, the unique "open-door-policy" has been an important factor of growth at First Colonial. Because of the positive line of communication made possible with the respected principals, students have had an applicable lesson in developing their self-value.

Michael Themides, chief administrator at F.C., has felt that the thrust of his job as principal has been to help the teachers and faculty in finding the best way of teaching students their self-respect and capabilities. Through creating interest in many of F.C.'s activities and endeavors as well as academic excellence, all four principals have spurred productivity. "By first making a student happy, we can then count on productivity, and that makes a student a positive individual," commented **Mr. Themides**. Mr. Wooten also had a vital role in keeping a tight hold on all aspects of school functions, both for the teachers and students.

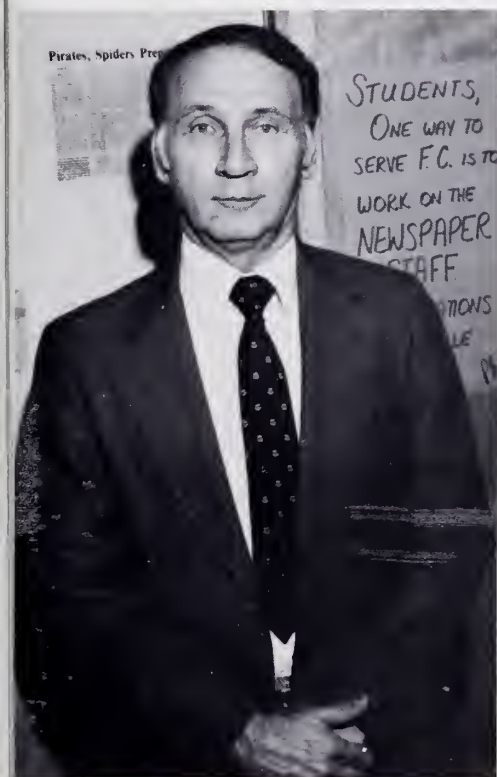
As in most cases, not all students were reached by the administration's and faculty's efforts, and those who weren't had a special line of communication-discipline. Mr. Wisniewski and Mr. Robbins both have had a firm and guiding hand in disciplining; they describe it as changing behavior, not punishing an individual. Attendance violators were sent to Mr. Robbins, but all others were sent to Mr. Wisniewski's office, where he tried his hardest to in some way redirect a person's behavior. "Although it doesn't always work," pondered **Mr. Wisniewski**, "we set the students on the straight and narrow."

All the roles enveloped by the jobs of principal and assistant principal communicated both directly and indirectly with students at F.C. For the last three years, everyone has accepted their always willing hand. — J.R. □

Mrs. Keefe, a parent, and Janine Woodhouse discussed Senior announcement orders with Mr. Themides.

Mr. Joseph Wisniewski, Jr.
Asst. Principal

Mr. John Robbins
Asst. Principal



Above and Beyond

Mr. Webster put in more than just a 9-5 day.

Have you ever wondered how the messages on the marquee were changed from week to week? Or who set up those assemblies that you loved to miss class for? Surprisingly, most people didn't, and the man responsible often went unnoticed. Mr. John Webster, Student Activities coordinator at F.C. was the one who changed the marquee, not to mention coordinating athletic events, clubs, sales, field trips, and other projects. Basically, Mr. Webster handled everything that was not directly related to academics.

Because of his many duties, Mr. Webster put in a lot of work. "Twelve, fifteen, or twenty-hour days are standard," said the former English teacher. **Ms. Coffman**, bookkeeper at F.C., reiterated the observation. "He's here all the time! If I come in at seven o'clock in the morning, he's here. If I leave late at night, he's still here. Even if I come in on holidays, Mr. Webster is here working. The man is incredible!"

When asked why he spent so much time and effort at his job, **Mr. Webster** replied, "It's not for the money, or for the glory or prestige. It's working with students in this age group and then seeing them several years later, which brings back happy, pleasant memories. And the best part of all is that I never really have to grow up."

Almost nothing at First Colonial would have gone as smoothly if Mr. Webster had not put his calm and strong effort into it. Our student activities director was truly incredible! — C.J. □

In order to reserve busses for the government field trip to the courthouse, Mr. Webster contacted the Student Activities Office of Virginia Beach.



Lenora Antley
Eng. 10A,12A

Nancy Briggs
French 1,4,5

Richard Ballew
Geometry

Fred Britton
P.E. 10,11,12;
Men's Tennis

Ruth Barco
Librarian

Larry Brown
Fund. of Mark., Mark;
Adv. Mar.

Ken Barto
P.E. 10; Football;
Men's Track

Sharon Burkhardt
P.E. 10; Adapt. P.E.;
G. Ten.; G. Track



Mr. Webster put information on the marquee about the fall play, **Harvey** which was performed on Nov. 17 and 18.

Keenly Interested in F.C.'s football team, Mr. Webster readied the equipment for another Patriot placekick.



Sharon Casey
Office Secretary



Orena Cassidy
Bio.; Ecol.



Elizabeth Chapman
Art 2,3; A.P. Art 5;
A.P. Art History



Susan Chewing
Bus. Law; Typ. 1;
Notehand; FBLA



Hope Christie Demergis
Spanish 2-5; Span.
Club



Christie Coffman
Bookkeeper

Jim Rittenhouse quickly asked Mrs. Warner a question as she headed for the teacher's lounge with Mrs. Gordon and Mrs. Durrant.

Mrs. Starkey took a last minute look at her lesson plans as she prepared for her first bell class.



Mary Commander
Guidance Counselor

Mary Sue Crommelin
Eng. 11A, 11R,
Debate, Forensics



Nancy Curtis
Drama I-III, Pub.
Speak. I-III, Thesp.,
F.C. Theatre Assoc.

Joshua Darden
I.S.S. Coord.



Mary Darden
Asst. Librarian

Gail Daugherty
Eng 10A, 11A

Pete Dewolf
U.S. History

Martha Dozier
Eng 10R, Visal Lng

Betsy Durrant
Alg 1, Trig, Comp.
Sci, S.C.A., Comp.
Club

Beth Ewing
Eng 12R, Dev Read.
A,B

Laura Ezell
U.S., A.P. History,
Yearbook



It's All In A Day's Work

F.C. teachers found many ways to start their morning.

The car engine finally turns over after fifteen minutes of panic. He slips it into reverse and slides it out of the driveway. Managing to hit every stoplight on the way from his house to school, the average F.C. student tries his best to stay awake. Questions keep popping into his head: "Did I do my algebra last night? Do the batteries in my calculator work for the big chemistry test today?" STOP! Did he ever think about what his teachers were doing at the same time? Well, many of First Colonial's teachers are preparing themselves for another challenging school day. When asked how she prepared herself, **Mrs. Starkey** replied, "I always turn my car radio to a particular station while I'm driving to school. It allows me time to myself and to organize my thoughts." In comparison, **Mrs. Antley** answered, "I go over my lesson plans in my head almost to the point where I forget that I'm driving."

To motivate himself for the day, **Mr. Firstahl** stands at the school entranceway in the morning and greets teachers and students as they come in. His philosophy was, "If you start the day with a happy thought, then you will do better throughout the day. If, however, you start the day out wrong, then your whole day will turn out bad." Mr. Firstahl enjoyed greeting people in the morning because he wanted them to learn to enjoy life.

As to how she prepared, **Mrs. Johnson** laughingly replied, "I drink at least two gallons of coffee!" whereas **Mrs. Sessoms** answered simply, "I pray."

No matter how F.C. teachers ready themselves for the day, each has an important effect on a student's day. Because of this fact, all their efforts are all in a day's work! — T.W. □



Mr. Ffirstahl gladly wished Ms. Mann a good morning.

Vernon Ffirstahl
Alg. 1, El. Alg. Pt.
1, Boy's Soccer

Charles Fishel
P.E. 10-11, P.E.
Intramurals

Dianna Forsyth
Eng. 11A,12A



Senior class sponsor, Mrs. Parker, and Kim Williams were pleased with the new senior class T-shirts as they examined them upon the arrival of the shirts.

Mrs. Pugh considered sophomore class president Tommy McKee's suggestion for the sophomore class theme for Spirit Week.



Betty Gibson
Con. Chorus; Madrigals



Jean Gordon
Sten. 1; Typ. 1,2; FBLA



Shirley Gray
Counselor



Carolyn Griffin
Eng 10A,10R



Stuart Grimes
Government



Sally Harland
Indust. Crafts, AIASA



Silent Partners

F.C.'s class sponsors lent a helping hand.

Let you always thought the leaders of your class were those Fearless Four — President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They're the ones that scheduled and ran the meetings, they're the ones that did the major organizing of projects, and they're the ones that held things together through yet another year, right? Well, not entirely. The Fearless Four were aided by one other individual: The Class Sponsor.

Although not exactly undercover, the Class Sponsor received little recognition for her work. She was an overseer to all of your class' activities, helping and guiding the Fearless Four in all of its endeavors.

But why? What motive did the Class Sponsor have in accepting this humble position? According to senior class sponsor, **Mrs. Parker**, "It's fun."

Who reaped the benefits of the vigilant deeds of The Class Sponsor? You did, class member. And so did your class.

Remember all those class meetings? The Class Sponsor could always be found in some inconspicuous spot, letting The Fearless Four take the Limelight. But as junior class president **Jimmie Ring** said, "She does a lot more than most people realize!" — C.J. □



Mrs. Warren, junior class sponsor, instructs Pretlow Seaton on delivery procedures for the Homecoming mum sales.



Wanda Henwood
Office Secretary

Alton Hill
P.E. 9,10 Golf
Basketball; Cr. country

Annette Hill
Counselor

C.L. Hill
Wo. Geo.; U.S.
Hist.; Cr. coun.;
Asst. Track

Margie Hill
Ind. Liv.; Foods
1 & 2; FHA

Mildred Hiteshew
Alg. 2/Trig.; Geom.

Anne Hopewell
Library Secretary

Ralph Hoskins
Biology

Happy Mediums

Guidance counselors paved the way for F.C.

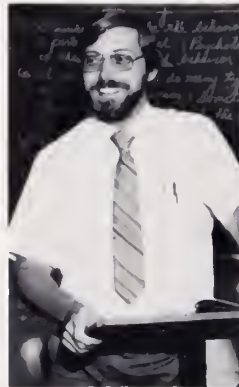
Eliminating the "middle man" has always been an advised answer to many of today's problems. At First Colonial, however, very few people would want to rid themselves of their "middle-men" — or "women." The Guidance Department at F.C. has served as both an important connection between a student and his future, and as well the faculty itself.

Not just college advisors, the counselors were interested in a student's whole picture — high school, home life, college, and career. Much confidence was placed upon the counselors as they were always handy to reinforce all in personal or educational need. Students and faculty alike depended upon solid guidance, and as **Mrs. Gray**, head counselor at F.C., said, "Because of the cooperation of the faculty, administration, and the guidance department, students are more apt to accept any of our advice, for they have seen this cooperation."

College planning was one of F.C.'s Guidance Department's specialties, and a great deal of effort was put into disseminating information to the students. Through the Career Counseling Center, students learned of opportunities in the field in which they were interested. Many times, unfortunately, the student body wasn't receptive to the guidance department's help in choosing a college. Commented **Mrs. Gray**, "We just hoped that they would read the bulletins we sent out."

Often unrecognized, the guidance team at First Colonial has been invaluable to the students and faculty. They have not only served as advisors, but coaches as well, on the sidelines of life. — J.R. □

Pleased with her record, Jenny Garcia spent a worthwhile session with her counselor, Mrs. Murray.



Gary Hudson
Psychology I,II

Gwen Infantino
W Hist., U.S. Hist.,
Dept. Chairman

Patricia Jenkins
Steno II, Clerk Typ.
II, Beg Typ., Office
Serv. I, COE Coord.

Lorna Johnson
Eng. 11A,11S, N.H.S.
Sponsor

Robert Johnson
I.C.T., VICA

Phyllis Jones
Government

Karol Lamar
Eng. 12A, Adv. Comp.

Beth Lantz
Special Education



Carefully planning with a U.V.A. representative, Mrs. Gray was sure to know all there was about the university.

Interested in business, Mia Russell was aided by Mrs. Gray in finding the right college to attend.



Lynn Lewis
German I-IV, German
Club

Jane MacDonald
Office secretary

Bess Mann
Government, Geog.
Hockey, Softball

W.T. Mann
Elem, Alg. Part 2,
Consumer Math

Carol Marshall
Guidance secretary

Donald McAdams
Geom., Prob. Stat.

Worth The Extra Effort

A.P. courses proved to be beneficial to F.C. students.



John McCarron
Naval Sci. I-IV,
NJROTC



Nancy McClure
Math Analysis, A.P.
Calculus



William Miller
Drawing I-IV, Wrestling



Jessie Moore
EMR, Amer. Herit.
Club

Caprice Royal enthusiastically presented her views on historical court cases to her A.P. History class.

Intriguing, stimulating, demanding and at the same time baffling, frustrating, and nerve racking could only describe one type of course and one type only, an A.P. class. There are five such classes taught at First Colonial, each striving to prepare its student for college and life in its own way.

A.P. History offered the student an extensive and in-depth study of American history. Historical facts combined with complete analysis provided the student with excellent preparation. **Mrs. Ezell** commented, "It forces them to organize their time, and it teaches them critical thinking and writing skills. All of the above enables them to survive in college. History is only the tool by which I teach the course." **Janet Baxter**, an A.P. History student, said, "It helps me think analytically and organize my thoughts. It's a difficult class, but I love it!"

A.P. English offered the student the opportunity to develop a better understanding of literature. Through class discussion and critical writing, the student increased his knowledge of individual novels and their authors. **Mrs. Rogers** replied, "The students learn approaches to literature on a highly ac-

ademic level." **Mia Russell**, an A.P. English student, answered, "It helps me work under pressure and most importantly appreciate literature."

A.P. Calculus offered the student an advanced program in mathematics. Through tedious practice, the student drove himself to solve problems which seemed almost impossible in order to gain personal satisfaction. **Ms. McClure** commented, "Calculus is the equivalent of a college course. By taking it in highschool, it allows the student more time for more advanced courses and more electives when he reaches college." **Debbie Keyes**, an A.P. Calculus student, said, "I will benefit from this course because it will help me further my career as a math teacher."

A.P. Studio Art provided the student with a chance to work in a studio environment, allowing him to set his own working pace to meet certain deadlines. A.P. Art History allowed the student to study the art of civilizations past and present.

In conclusion, the students of A.P. courses find that the hard work and determination would pay off in the end. — T.W. □





Ms. Briggs, a French teacher and an A.P. English student, listened intently as Mrs. Rogers discussed literature with her.



Margaret Murray
Guidance Counselor



Ray Newman
Naval Sci. I-IV,
NJROTC



Barbara Owens
Eng. 12A



Hope Parker
Gov't, Yearbook, Sen.
Class Sponsor



Bruce Platz
Economics, Int. Relations,
U.S. History



Charles Pugh
Metals Tech. I, Metals
II, Woods Tech. I,
Ind. Arts Club



Kathy Pugh
Biology, Chemistry
Soph. Class Sponsor



George Reel
Music Theory I-III,
Bands, Drill Team



Louise Reid
Typ. 1,2, Clerical
Typ. 1, FBIA



Marlys Renner
Eng. 10S,11A

Just Around The Corner

Computer Age hits F.C.



Mrs. Durrant enjoyed her computer science classes but found labeling computer parts a tedious task.

Brenda Rhodes
Fash. Merch. 1,2,
DECA, Cheerleaders

Kimberly Ritenour
Typ. 1,2, Gen. Business,
FBLA, Gymnastics

Dorothy Robbins
Eng. 12R, 12A

Betty Rogers
Eng. 12S, A.P.,
World Lit.

Carlton Rountree
French II,III, Fre.
Club, Dept. Chairman

Janet Rowlands
P.E. 10-12, Girls'
Basketball & Soccer

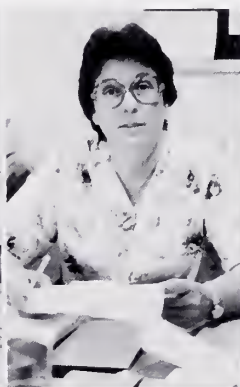


The year is 2500. Schools are now vast complexes of computer age wizardry, replacing the obsolete brick buildings of yesteryear. Robots have replaced teachers, and a school book is a thing of the past. Wait a minute! It must be a dream. It's not 2500. This is 1983. Well, it's 1983, but one still can catch a glimpse of the computer age of tomorrow in our school of today. The most noticeable part of this computer age in First Colonial was the Scan Tron.

The Scan Tron was a remarkable machine located in the teacher's lounge that did wonders when it came to grading tests. All the teacher had to do was to program her answer grid into the computer and then pass each test through the machine. It did all of the grading and printed the number correct on the test. Although it could not be used in all aspects of schoolwork, it was a fine supplement to manual grading. Many of the F.C. teaching staff seemed to like it. However, there were mixed views from the student body. When asked if she liked or disliked the Scan-Tron, **Sylvia Whitaker** replied, "I'd rather have regular tests because filling in blocks makes me feel like I'm in elementary school." On the other hand, **Debbie Wilson** answered, "I like it because multiple choice tests are the easiest tests to take." In the eyes of a teacher, **Mr. Swann** summed it all up; "The Scan-Tron does away with the tediousness of correcting papers. It allows for more teaching time. But more significantly, it is evidence that the electronic age has reached teaching."

First Colonial was also blessed with other computers. These were located in Mrs. Durrant's room. They were older than the Scan-Tron and didn't perform the same jobs but were still proof of the computer age of tomorrow. These computers were used by the math department to average grades, yet they didn't grade tests like the Scan-Tron did. When asked what she thought about the computer, **Mrs. Durrant** replied excitedly, "I love it! It makes grading time much easier!"

Although signs of the computer age of the future are apparent today, that evidence is very small compared to what it will probably be in seven to eight more years. One will never know in the society in which we live today. That next teacher might just be a robot! — T.W. □



Mrs. Antley
rushed to grade
her fifth bell's tests
by way of Scan
Tron.

John Savage
Guidance Counselor

Elizabeth Schley
School Nurse

Jackie Sessoms
Spanish I,III, Span.
Club

Jane Shell
Beg., Adv. Accounting,
FBLA

Louis Spain
Head Librarian

Thomas Speelman
Marketing, DECA

Claudia Spencer
ART I,IV

Sandra Starkey
Eng. 10A, 11R



The Art of Communication was alive at F.C.

Students at F.C. were offered a wide variety of elective classes, designed to introduce the students to a particular field of study. One of the courses available to students at F.C. was Public Speaking, a class which aided students in communicating more effectively. According to **Mrs. Curtis**, Public Speaking teacher, "We spend all of our time communicating and little of our time thinking about how it could be done more effectively. Regardless of the career you choose, you will need to be able to express yourself openly and clearly. Those skills, though usually neglected, are the ones that create success."

In Public Speaking, students learned not only how to improve their speech, but they also learned how to be aware of "body language" and facial expression. Projects such as mock advertising, silent story telling, and poetry reading aided in this learning.

Another aspect of the art of communication at First Colonial was the mime troupe. The mime troupe dealt with relating a story or idea through silent actions and facial expression. **Tom Lamb** reflected, "Being part of the mime troupe has really helped me to be more aware of people's reactions, verbally as well as non-verbally."

Through classes such as Public Speaking, students learned skills of expression that would aid them in things from college interviews to greater career success. **Mrs. Curtis** agreed, saying, "The students of theater and communication art will be the successes of tomorrow." — C.J. □

Express Yourself!



Gary Stemm
Ele. Alg. 1, Geom.

Jacquelyn Stone
Spec. Ed., Lear. Dis

Brenda Swan
Latin 1,2,3,4
Latin Club

Robert Swann
Chemistry

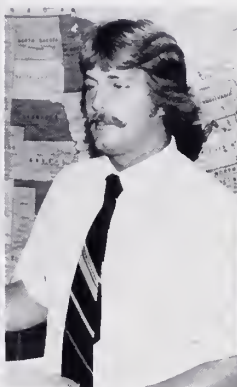
Karola Thoman
Eng 10A





In order to create effective scenery, Mrs. Curtis instructed drama student Sally Cox on set design.

Mime troupe member, David Weiner, prepared for the upcoming performance by applying his makeup.



Elizabeth Thomas
Marr./Fam.; Cloth. 1,2;
Hous. & Int. Des.,
Parenting; FHA

Douglas Thompson
World Geography

Carl Turk
Physics

Anne Warbuton
Office Secretary

Judy Warner
Alg. 2; Alg. 2/Trig; SCA

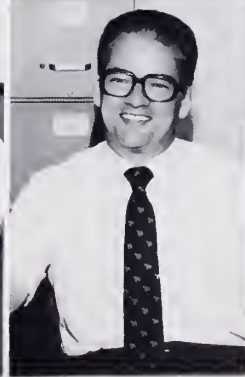
Linda Warren
Eng. 10S, 11A; Jr.
Class Sponsor

Frank Webster
U.S. Hist.; Football

John Webster
Stu. Act. Dir.

Maynard West
Indus. Arts; AIASA

Norbie Wilson
Sociol.; Baseball;
Football



On Their Own Two Feet

Independent Living provided the first step.

As students passed through their high school years, more thought was placed on immediate goals — grades, activities, and athletics — than on what was in store for the future. Excluding college plans, preparations for a solid life after education were often neglected by the typical teenager. At First Colonial, however, several prudent seniors opted to enroll in Mrs. Hill's Independent Living course and received a useful knowledge of adult home-life.

Different from Home Economics taught at F.C., Independent Living was designed to alert high school seniors to the situations of a life on their own. Balancing a checkbook, holding credit, reading a lease, and other essential lessons made up a year of the first bell class. A main concentration of the class, of course, was how to prepare a convenient meal, how to find buys, and how to clean up. Said **Jim Merklinger**, a football player in Mrs. Hill's class, "Independent Living has been an awakening for me to all that I have to look forward to, and through it all, I had fun."

Mrs. Margie Hill recognized the key accomplishment of such a worthwhile course, "After college, responsibility will hit students right between the eyes. Through this class, the seniors are given a substantial amount of responsibility now, when it can prepare them the most. No matter what career or occupation they pursue, these students can utilize all they have learned this year."

Independent Living has readied concerned seniors for the road ahead of them. Not only will they be on their own two feet, but they will start out on the right one. — J.R. □

As Linda Bamard and Albert Woodhouse filled their freshly baked biscuits with ham, Denise Wright proudly displayed her accomplishment, just one of the many at Independent Living's Homecoming Breakfast.

F.C. Cafeteria Workers: J. Reich, R. Shaw, L. Dawson, N. Foster, L. Alligood, M. Johnson — Head Manager, J. Cianfini, F. Flowers, C. Freeman, C. Gilliland





Demonstrating his potential in the kitchen, Will Godfrey began work on his cheese omelette.



Custodial Staff: C. Winston, C. Ware, R. Johnson — Head Custodian, J. Shelly

Keeping her students up-to-date with all the ins and outs of kitchen work, Mrs. Hill demonstrated the use of an electric mixer.

Not Just A Milestone

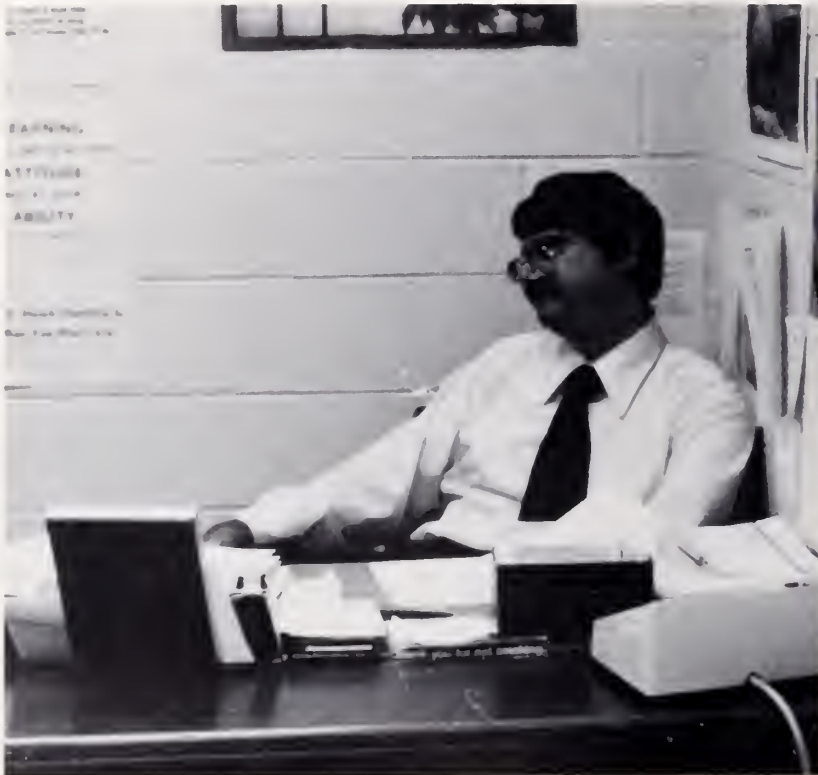
A dedication to the dedicated — F.C.'s faculty.

Beyond the chalkboards, the fateful grades, and often endless lectures, there lay the true teachers, dedicating themselves to the development of the students. Teachers not only imparted their knowledge and experience of subject matter but also inspired the students to learn and use their new knowledge. F.C.'s teachers have proved to be mediums between students and life, lending helping hands and guiding students through life's many obstacles.

High expectations on the teacher's behalf generally promoted the same aspirations in students. F.C. teachers encouraged, praised, and reinforced suc-

cessful endeavors. They were not only teachers but also became parents, psychologists, counselors, referees, cheerleaders, and at times a valued friend. "In my past experiences," replied **Ms. Christie**, "students relate and perform at their best when they have a caring, understanding, well prepared, and challenging teacher. When all is said and done, the teachers are enhanced by their students and vice versa. It is a two way street; one nourishes the other."

The efforts of F.C.'s faculty staff weren't here today and gone tomorrow but will always linger on in the minds of the students as they aspire to higher planes of knowledge. — T.W., J.R., & C.J. □

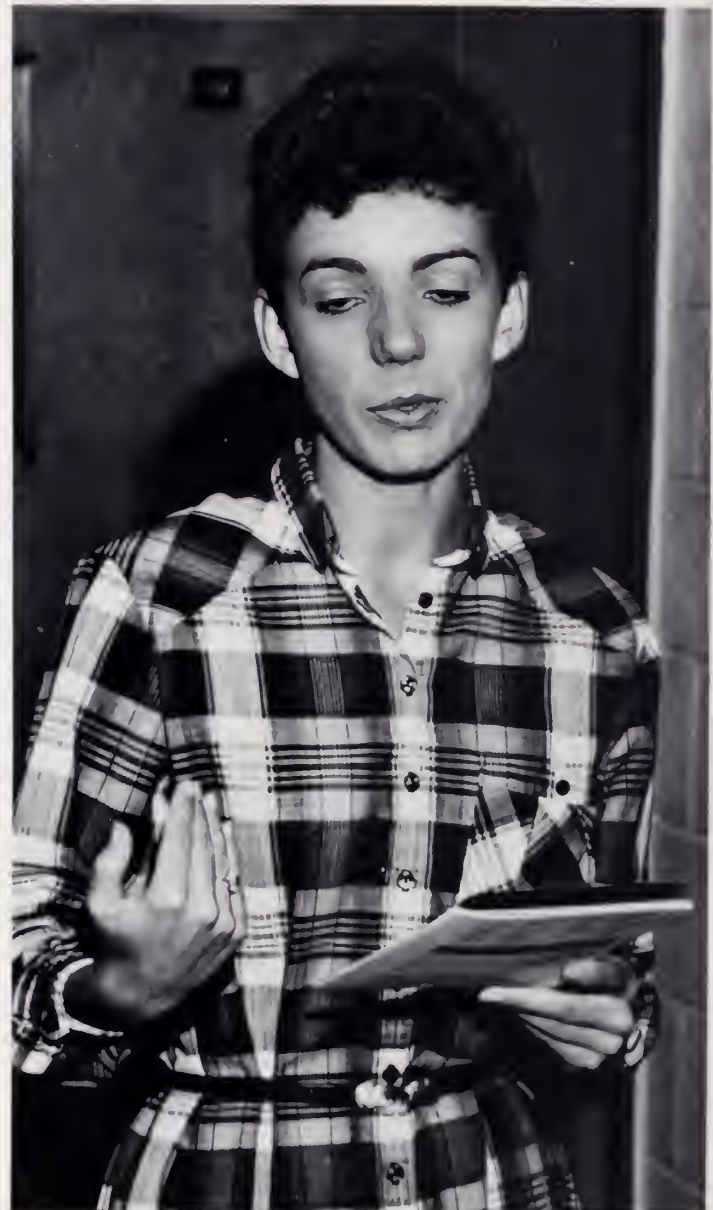


Enjoying a happy thought, Mrs. Pugh took advantage of the teacher's lounge.

Always a good listener, Mr. Savage aided F.C. students in military careers and schooling.

Ready for a game of touch football, Mr. Barto juggled the gear gracefully.

F.C.'s Latin Instructor, Miss Swan, explained in much detail early Roman life.





There's never a dull moment in Mme. Brigg's class. She often added quite a bit of energy to her French lessons.

A coy Miss Coffman came out of hiding to say a cheerful, "Good morning!"

Cheerleader sponsor, Mrs. Rhodes, shared a laugh with one of her girls, Kellie Mullaney.

No one could resist a hug from F.C.'s nurse, Mrs. Schley — including Julie Gustafson.



In the course of the year, many students found themselves pounding the pavement in order to find some source of income. Fortunately, since Virginia Beach is such an industrialized city, most were successful in finding employment. Those part-time jobs paid for all those late night excursions to Wendy's and, therefore, much appreciation must be extended to those local businesses as they also helped the students enjoy the school associated activities which usually require a small entrance fee.

In addition, the **Heritage** staff would also like to thank all businesses, large and small, who contributed to the production of this yearbook. Without their generosity and concern, the **Heritage** staff would not have been able to produce a top-quality book of which First Colonial could be proud. Hopefully, all First Colonial students will support these contributing advertisers who continue to support First Colonial. — B.M. □



Since pizza is always a favorite of most teenagers, Domino's "dominated" the beach with their tasty pizza, cold drinks, and friendly-fast-free delivery.

Located all over Tidewater, Allstate Insurance Co. provided the community with information concerning insurance ranging from life to home to car.

Even though the Raven is a small restaurant, it established itself as the perfect place to enjoy an afternoon with friends while eating lunch.



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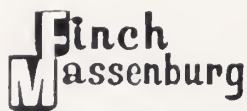
Owned by Robert Herman, The Lighthouse Restaurant established itself as one of the most highly acclaimed restaurants in Virginia Beach. In fact, many tourists believed that a trip to Virginia Beach would not be complete without a visit to The Lighthouse for a bowl of the famous she-crab soup.

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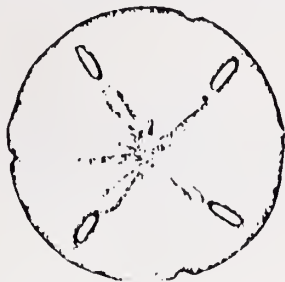
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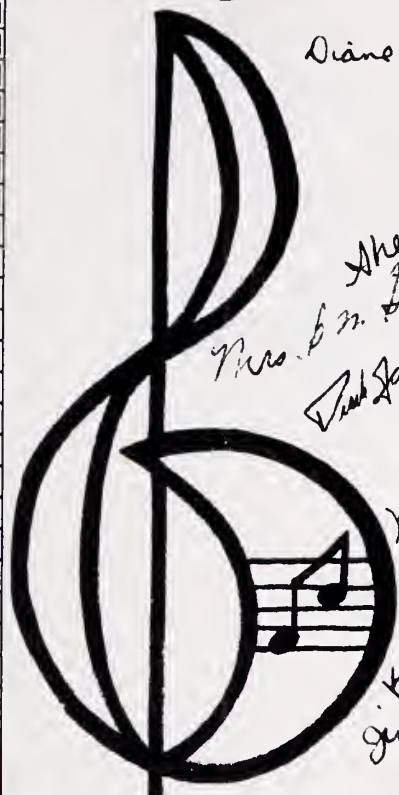


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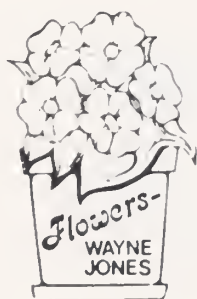


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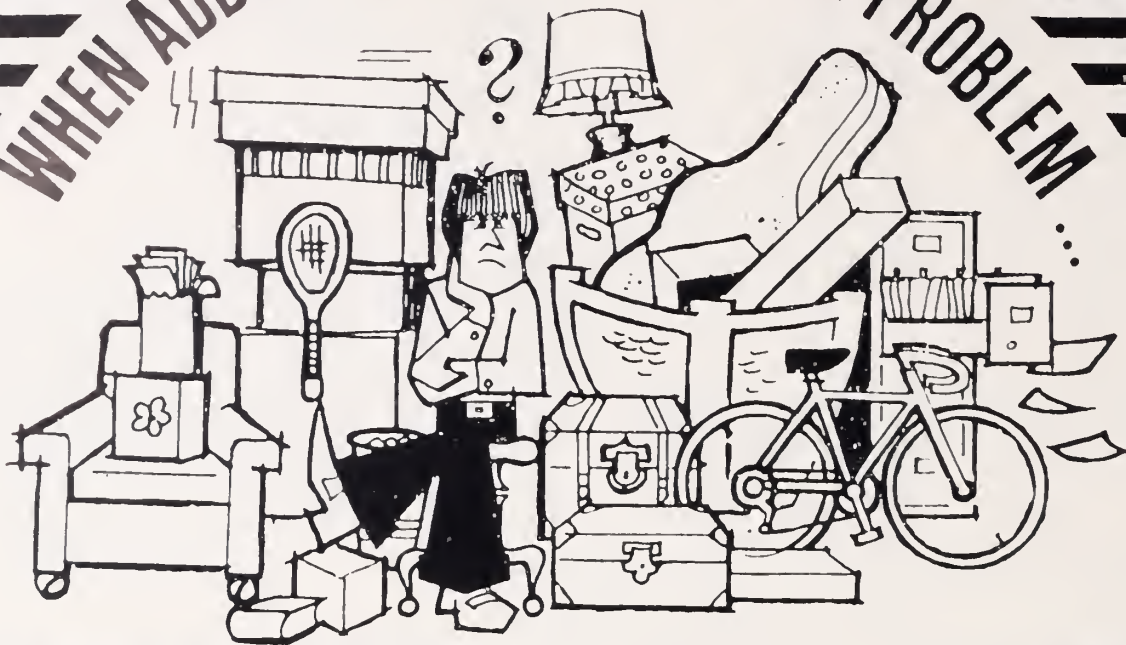
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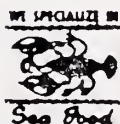
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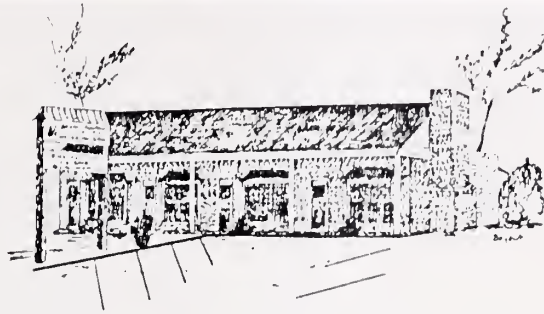
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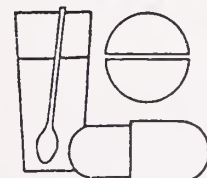
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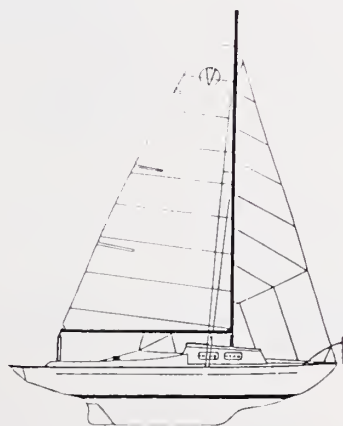
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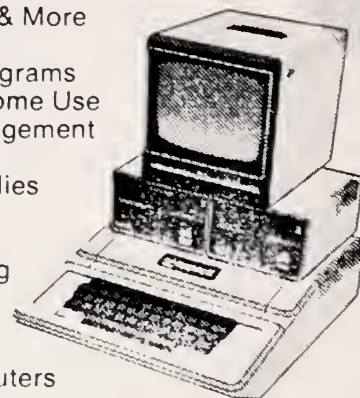
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Now Look ... What You've Done

The results of long hours and hard work were rewarding.

Before plunging into new summer jobs and the welcoming waves of the ocean, leaving all thoughts of the past nine months in the once noisy and crowded halls of FC, one must pause for a moment to reflect upon the enormous success of the 1982-83 school year. This is not to imply that the past thirty-six weeks have been care-free and unflawed, oh, no! Rather, the purpose of this reflection is to summarize the products of long, and often frustrating, hours in a dedication to you.

Work, that four letter word often became one's most hated enemy. Perseverance, however, conquered the one urge to give up. Whether on the court or in the classroom, students not only rose to the challenge, but extended their limits.

If involved in a sport, two or three, sometimes more hours a day were spent flexing and strengthening muscles and striv-

ing for perfection in total performance. Training for a sport meant more than practice after school: diets had to be maintained and sleep had to be obtained. But when the final games of the seasons were played, the athletes and FC could boast of five beach titles and one state championship in gymnastics.

The athletes were not the only ones who excelled this past year. Selected for the Tidewater Scholastic Achievement team were Seniors Jim Rittenhouse, Dnae Kinzie, Mark Hogendobler and Jimmy Booterbaugh; Juniors Doug Garrou, Matt Vester, Chris Bond, and Maribeth Millis, and Sophomores Michelle Foer, Suzanne Weber, Michael Medley, and Stuart Douglas. Then, in February, twelve students were selected to the Junior Engineering Technological Society (JETS) team. The team consisted of members Jimmy Duke, Dnae Kinzie, Mark

Hogendobler, Karen Kolb, Jim Rittenhouse, Jenny Rundle, Jimmy Booterbaugh, Julie Gustafson, Kevin Paasch, Eric Turner, and Chris Bond. This team travelled to ODU to be tested against other teams from Tidewater. The list of academic achievements attained is lengthy but one in which the student body and administration can take much pride.

There was more to life at FC, however, than just sports and grades. With all the extra-curricular activities available, students often had the dilemma of choosing between clubs and organizations due to the lack of "free-time."

What a year! And to think that all of these accomplishments and more, were achieved in only nine months. Sacrifices of personal time were given, and as the student body worked for tomorrow, it not only achieved its goal of excellence, but also personal growth. J.G.□



Activities were a central part of students' lives. Designing the men's tennis layout, Brad Stoops dedicated many extra hours to the production of the **Heritage**.

One of the many 1983 teams which won district and state titles was the gymnastic team. With agility, concentration, and experience, Cindy Mitchell and the team dominated all of the events ranging from balance beam to all-around competition.

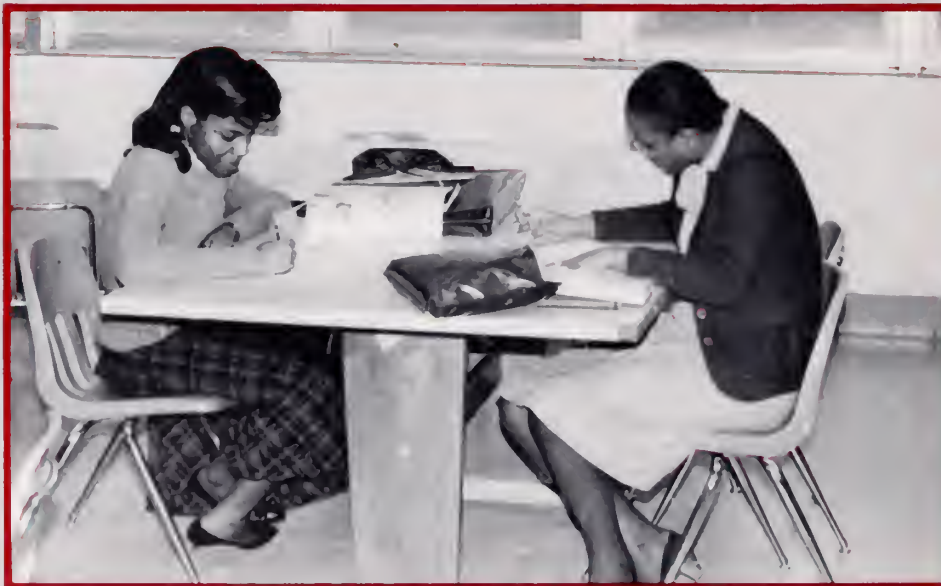
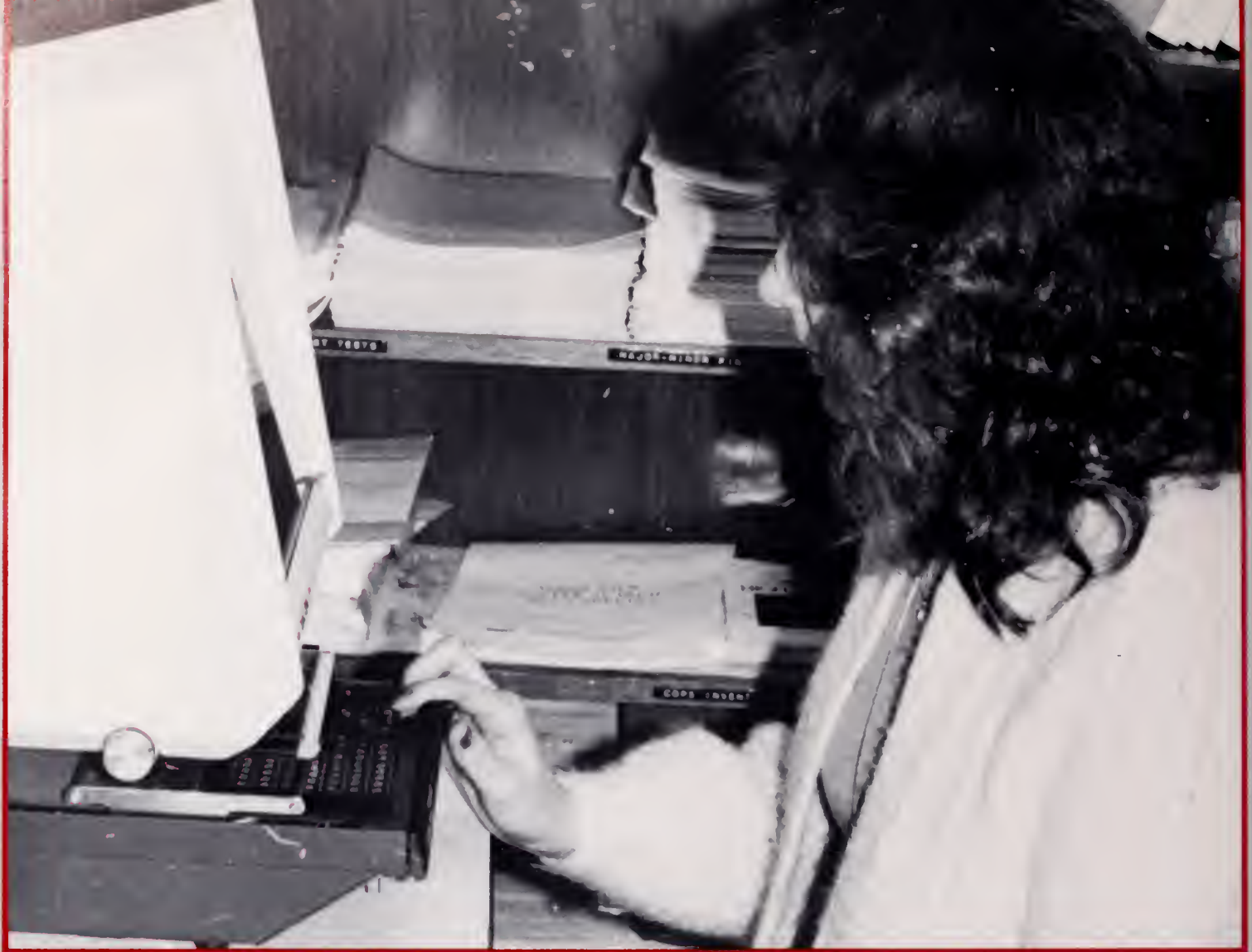




Using the lab, Mrs. Abdullah's third bell class was able to hear genuine Spanish accents so as to improve their own.

Lisa Howard traveled with the Marching Patriots to the nation-wide competitions as a part of the Flag and Drill Team.

Taking it in stride, Kris Shondell studied for his history test. He, somehow, found slight humor in the Roaring Twenties.



For student assistance, the Guidance Department developed a career/college center which provided all information concerning careers and colleges.

Researching occupations pertaining to art helped Valerie Thoroughgood and Mary Gatlin get a general idea of which careers held the most promise for the future.

Dan Crawford planned for the future as he enrolled in the Independent Living class in order to learn to cook, to do laundry, and other essential skills.



Anticipating Tomorrow

Students continued to have future goals and expectations.

Although June 9, 1983 ended another school year, students continued to have future goals and expectations. Below are the results of a poll given to a randomly selected group of students. — J.G.□

What are your expectations for your remaining years in high school? What are your goals?

1. "I expect high school to help me grow socially as well as academically. I'd like to continue taking an active part in school activities and maintaining my grades." — Kelly Knight
2. "My expectations are to graduate from this school, and hopefully go on to Art School." — Lora Klima
3. "My goals are to make the best of what I have and do well with what I have." — Bonnie Neuhofer
4. "My expectations are to learn enough to get me through college and life." — Kathy Kalweit

What effect has F.C. had on your goals?

1. "In taking the many different courses at F.C., it has made me realize what I enjoy doing and what I want to major in in college." — Valerie Barco
2. "Because of the harder classes I have taken, F.C. has taught me not to take the easy way out." — Diane Griffin
3. "F.C. has taught me to have more self discipline." — Doug Knapp
4. "It has helped me be more realistic about my goals." — Julie Burrows

What fields offer the greatest career opportunities?

1. "computer programming, electronics, technical drafting, and architecture; possibly a bum." — Clint Carpenter & Mike Murray

2. "music and computer related fields." — Powell Randolph
3. "medicine and related health care careers." — Jennifer Neely
4. "computer science and math." — Stuart Douglas
5. "computer programming and accounting." — Larry McCoy

Do you feel it is important to attend a "big name" college or university? Why or why not?

1. "I don't think it matters all that much as long as you learn the information." — Sandy Hamer
2. "I feel it is important because the most academically acclaimed schools are the 'big name' schools." — Steve Gallagher
3. "Education occurs in the mind, not necessarily in Charlottesville." — Bryce Valentine
4. "No, it is not important to attend a big name college. It doesn't matter how popular a college is as long as it is good. In fact, some less well known colleges are better because there are less people going there, giving the professors more time to work with people." — Bill Photinos
5. "Sometimes if you have gone to a 'big name' college it will help you to get a job." — Charalin Slatter
6. "No, because big name colleges tend to be competing with the other schools in sports and are not interested in academics." — Mary Hunter

What would you change about F.C. in order to make it more effective in assisting students' goals?

1. "I would have a spring break, maybe a week." — Michelle Foer

2. "I would have more counselors for the students so that the counselors could become more familiar with each student and not only see the student when there is a problem." — Valerie Barco
3. "Well, in the summer it is hard to work when you are burning up. I know we are supposed to have air-conditioning, but it doesn't always work." — Bonnie Cox
4. "I would change the grading system." — Greg Mitchell
5. "I would expand elective courses, not just one year courses." — Liz Lewis
6. "I feel that F.C. should initiate an honor code and make it mandatory. I feel it would make students do their own work and realize their own responsibilities." — Analise Craig
7. "My classes are pretty much full and you don't get enough individual help." — David Joyner
8. "I think F.C. should allow students to go out to lunch." — Vicki Meekins

How do you anticipate life out of high school?

1. "I expect life out of high school will be like most new things, an exciting challenge that we all must face." — William Shepherd
2. "There will be a great amount of responsibility. Independence and maturity help to form a life for a high school graduate." — Kathy Krakora
4. "Life will be much more exciting because I will be doing something I like rather than something I am required." — Lissa Nelson

Only Time Will Tell

... what the future holds.



While practicing her art skills in Mrs. Chapman's third bell class, senior Celia Dekker developed a strong foundation for a future in commercial art.

Dreams and reality: how tempting it can be to confuse the two. With the media continuously broadcasting such uplifting news as the flooding rains in California and the discovery of more toxic waste sites, however, many students began taking a serious look at their environmental factors and at the direction their lives were taking. Although opinions differed, students showed a great deal of concern about not only their personal future, but also the future of America. — J.G.□

Is marriage in your future; what are your plans concerning children?

1. "Yes, marriage is in my future **somewhere**. I plan to have no more than two kids; anymore than that gets too expensive no matter how rich you are." — Tyler Anthony
2. "If I find someone worth marrying, then I will. If we want kids, we will have them!" — Becky Miller
3. "I would like to have kids, but I want to pursue my career first. How many kids depends upon my salary and the economic conditions." — Robin Till
4. "No, never thought of it, never will." — Anthony Olds
5. "I want to marry between the age of 25-28. I want to have two children of my own and adopt one other. I think I would like to be married at least three or four years before I have my first child." — Barb Donovan
6. "I'll be a surrogate father." — Russell Payne.

What role will nuclear weapons play in future world conflicts?

1. "Nuclear weapons may end the world." — Melvin Hughes
2. "None whatsoever — the

National Enquirer said so because they really don't work; it's a government trick." — Tim Davis

3. "KAPOW!" — Tammy Tickle

What are your general predictions for the future of the United States?

1. "If the Republicans stay in power, and the government becomes bold, the United States will continue to flourish and become stronger." — Bob Kuhn
2. "Jim Merklinger will become President and appoint Russell Payne Secretary of Defense. Joe Schackle will be the Head Supreme Court Judge and the U.S. will be in power of the known world." — Kevin Keefe
3. "No nation lasts forever — the United States won't either. I see turmoil in the next two decades (economically) and on the international scene as well." — Jeff Smith

What do you foresee yourself doing in 1993?

1. "Being a sports reporter for a local newspaper." — Suzanne Weber
2. "Having a career and working for the weekend!" — Scott Westerman
3. "Studying to be a physician in medical school." — Mike Karesh
4. "I hope I have a good job and I'll be making the most of life." — Gina Acklin
5. "Laid back in the Bahamas." — Robert Nichols
6. "I see myself as a successful cruise director and married to a rich man." — Jennifer Polsenski
7. "In 1993, I foresee myself as a slave to my productive career and reminiscing about my high school days on the yearbook staff!" — Ann Murphy



During a music theory class, Charlie Wright used his musical talent to entertain friends in order to prepare himself for performing in front of a large crowd as a future professional musician.

Hoping to pursue a career in the field of art, Suzanne Desgain concentrated on learning the various types of art.

Preparing for the future, Danny Day studied woodworking, thus becoming eligible for a future in construction.

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As the future lies ahead, Ann Winbauer takes a temporary break before tackling many major decisions of life. The choice of direction is an important step for each individual.

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